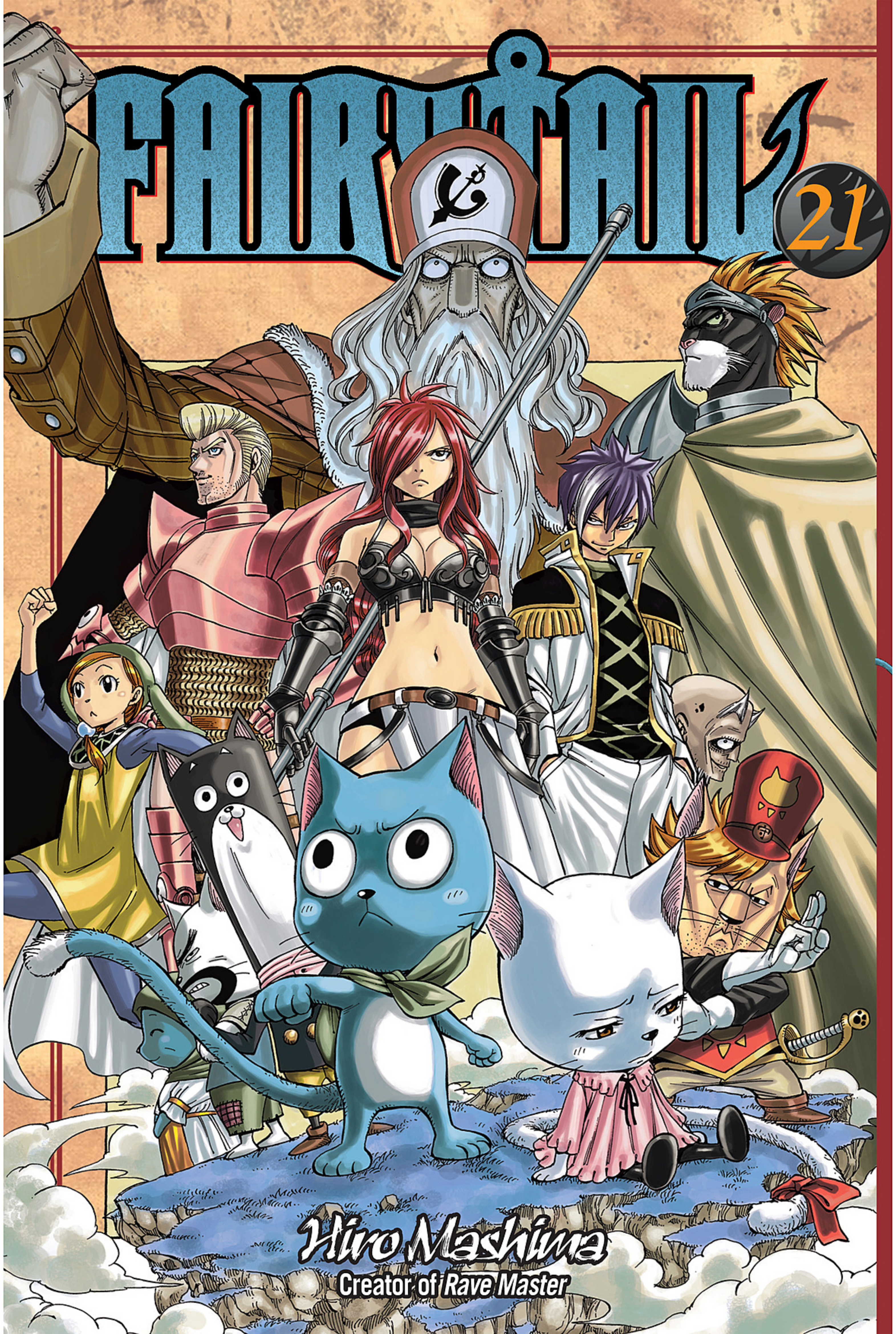


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*Hiro Mashima*  
Creator of *Rave Master*

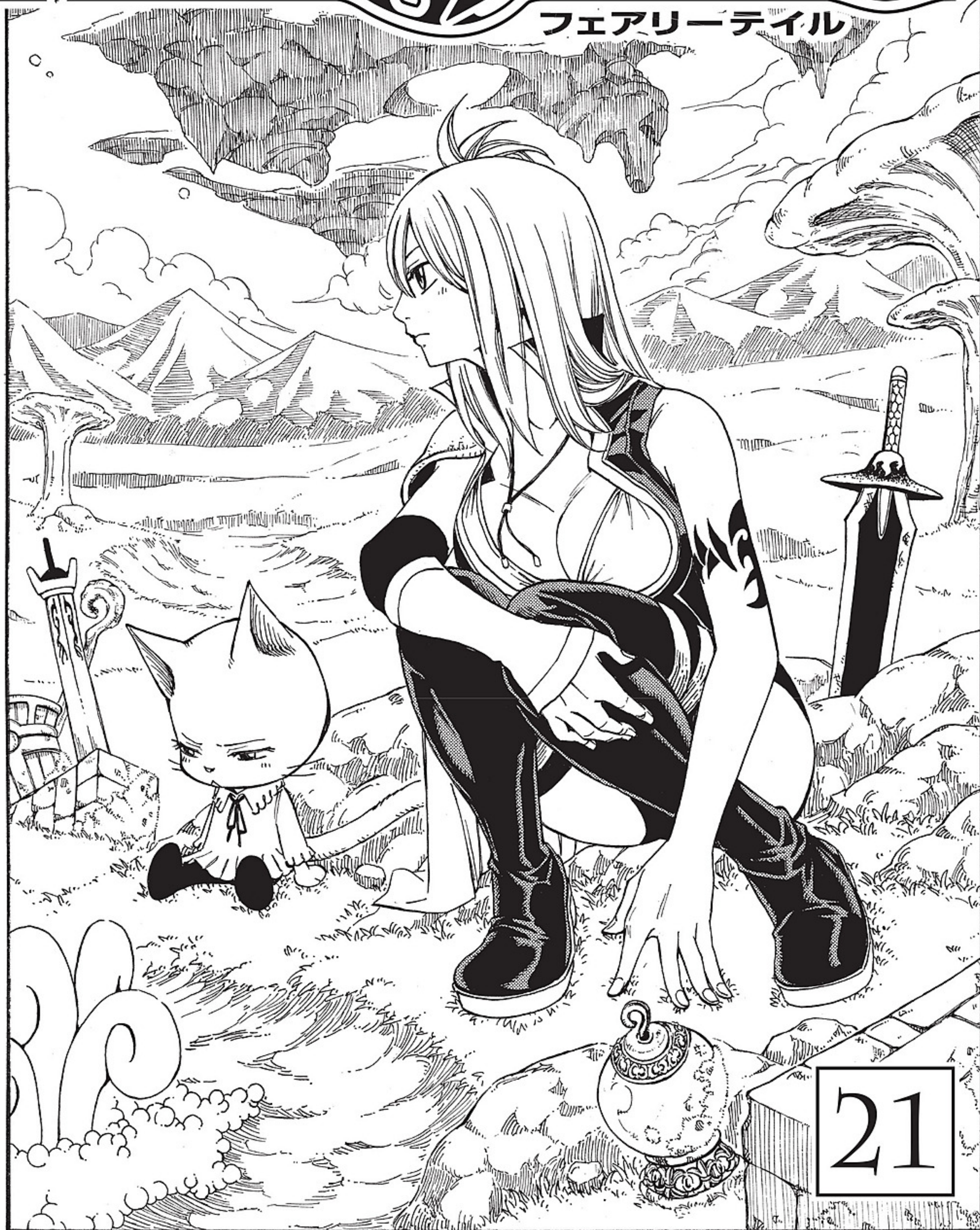






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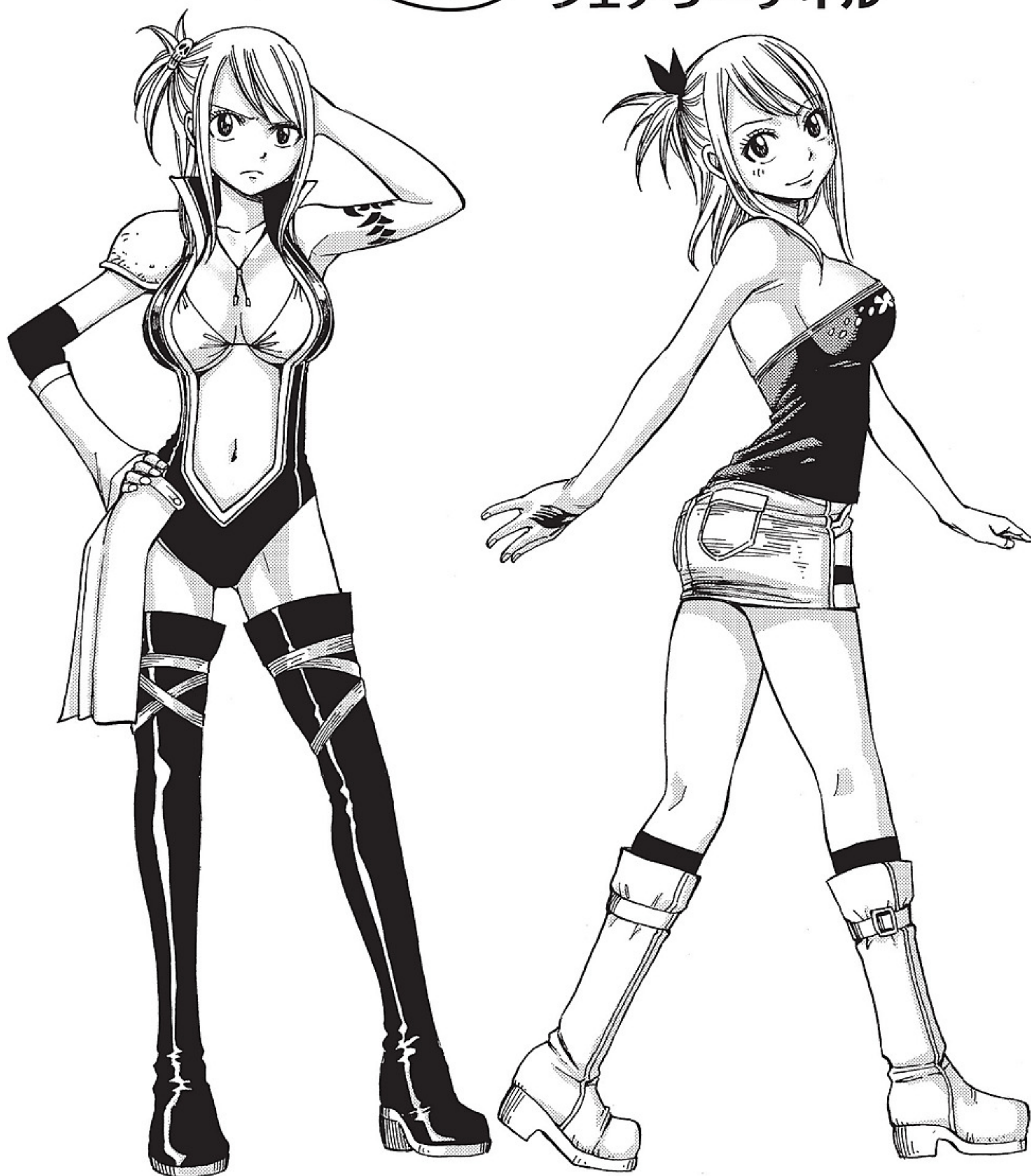


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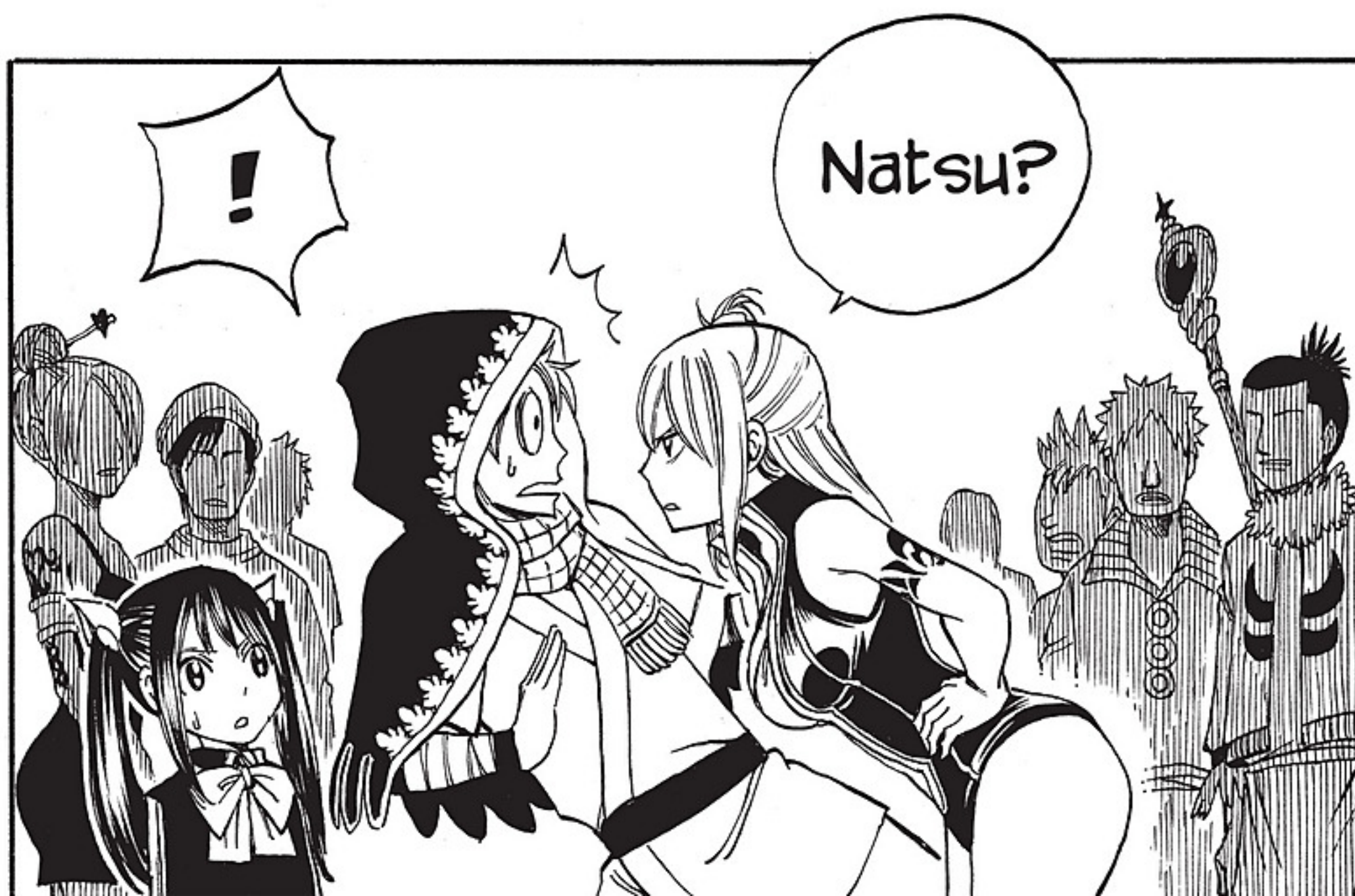
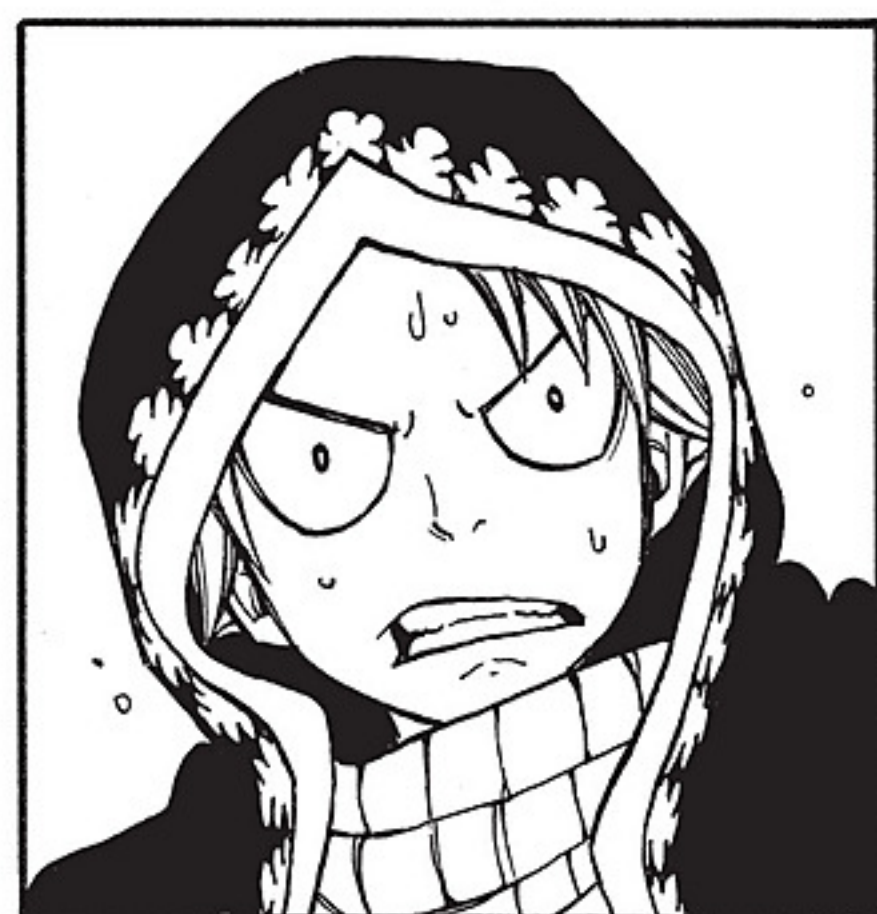
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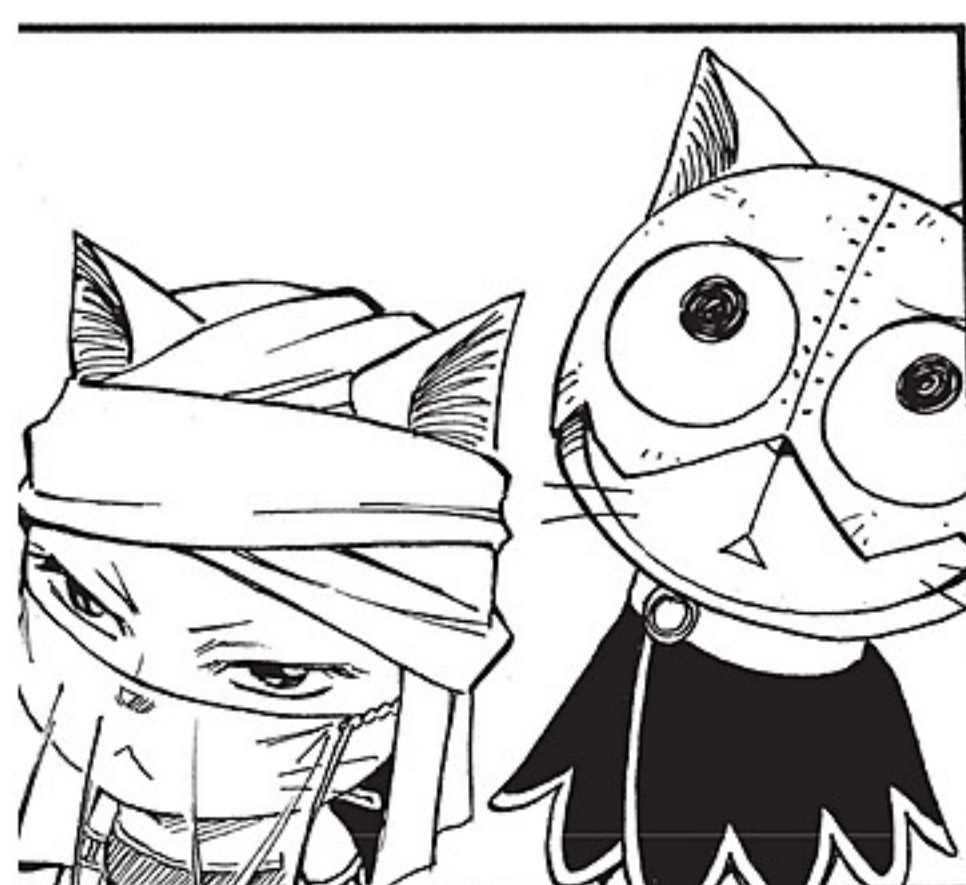
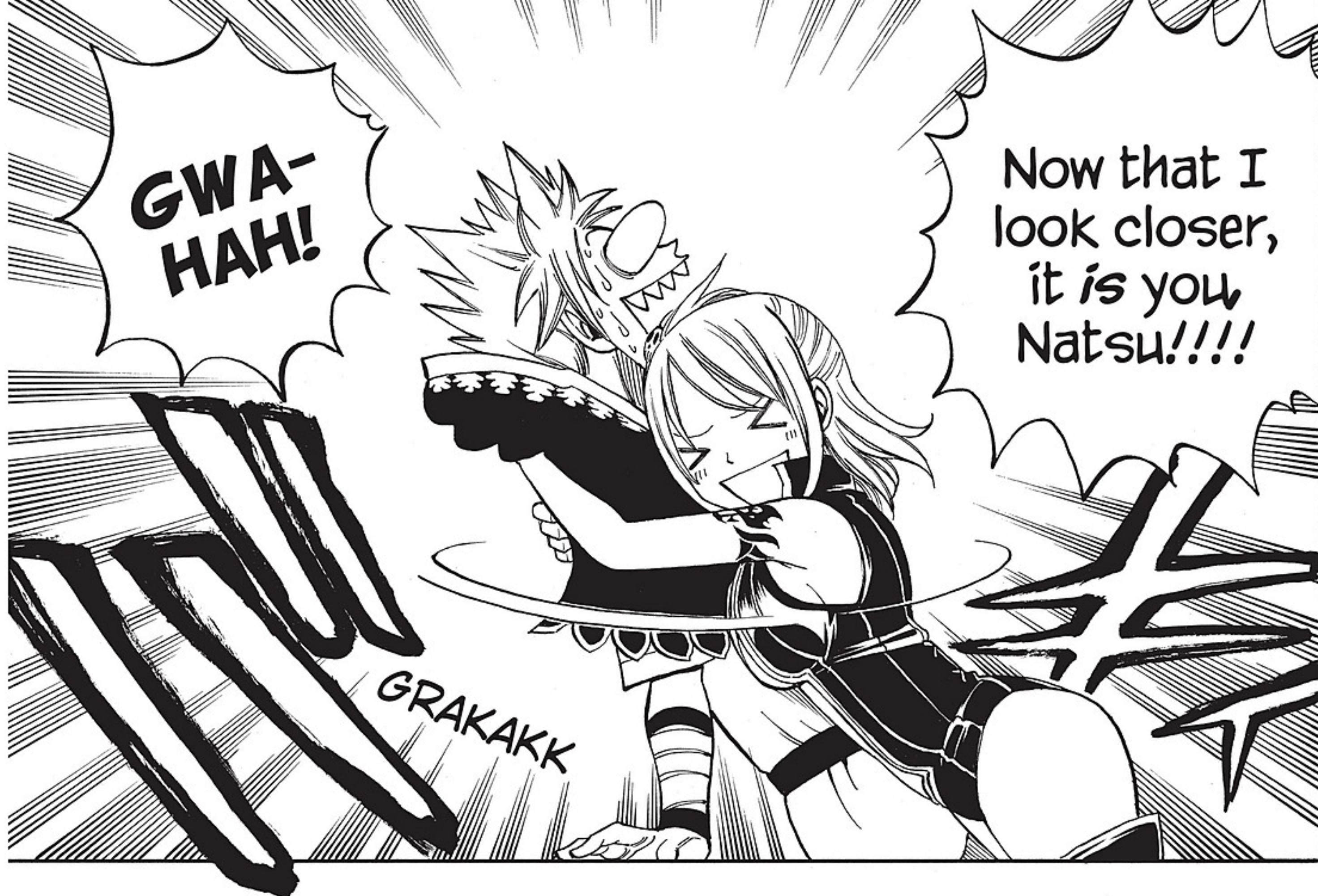


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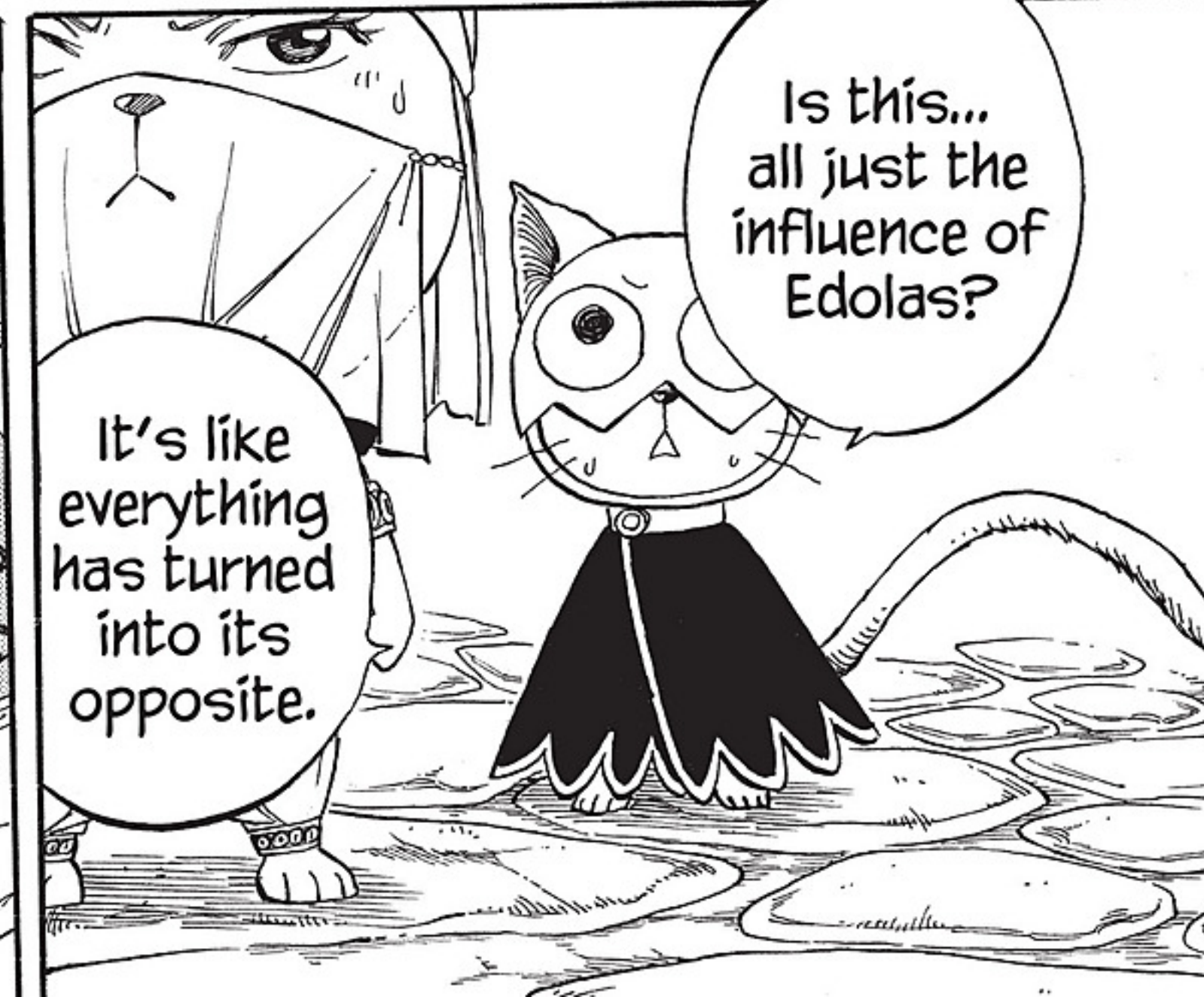
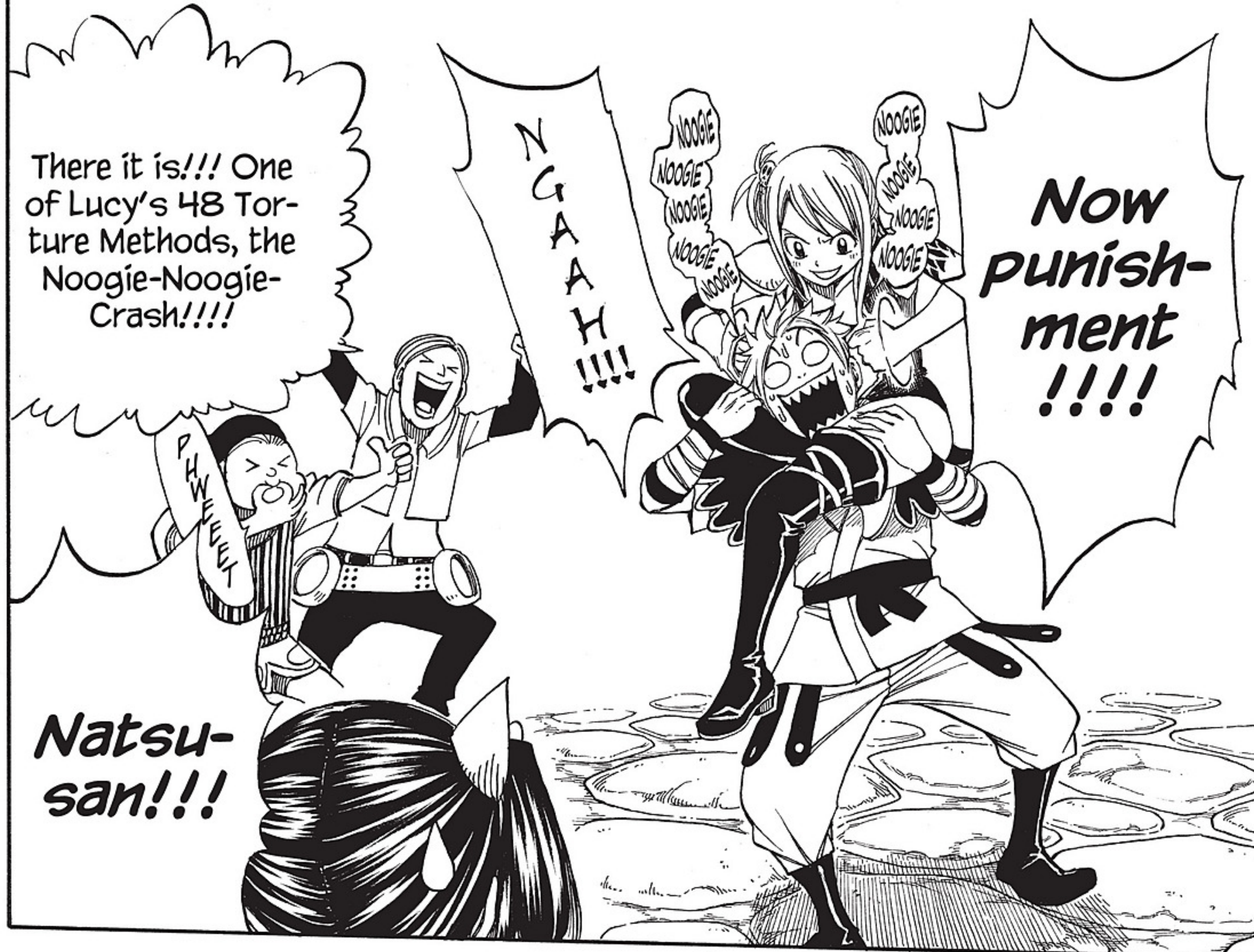




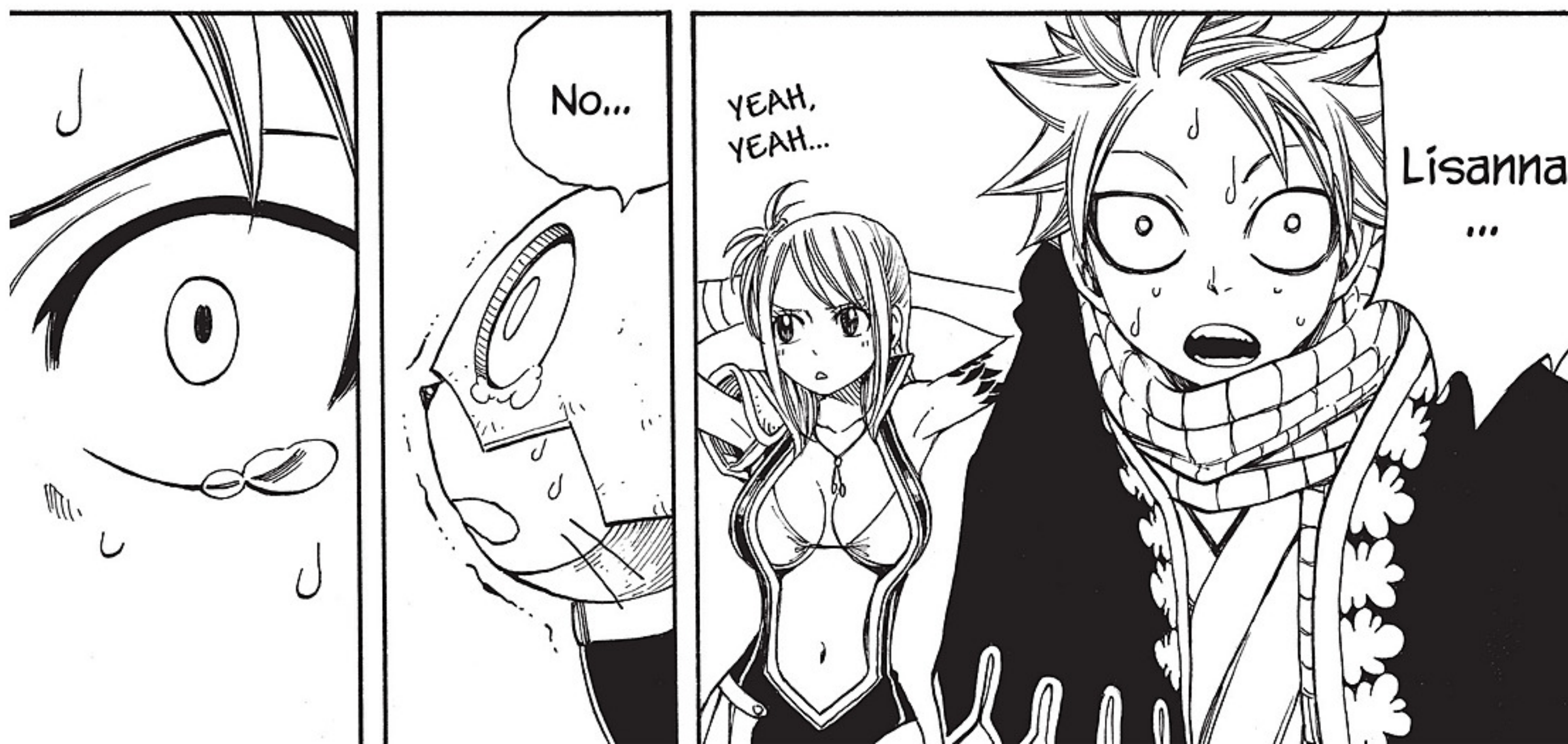




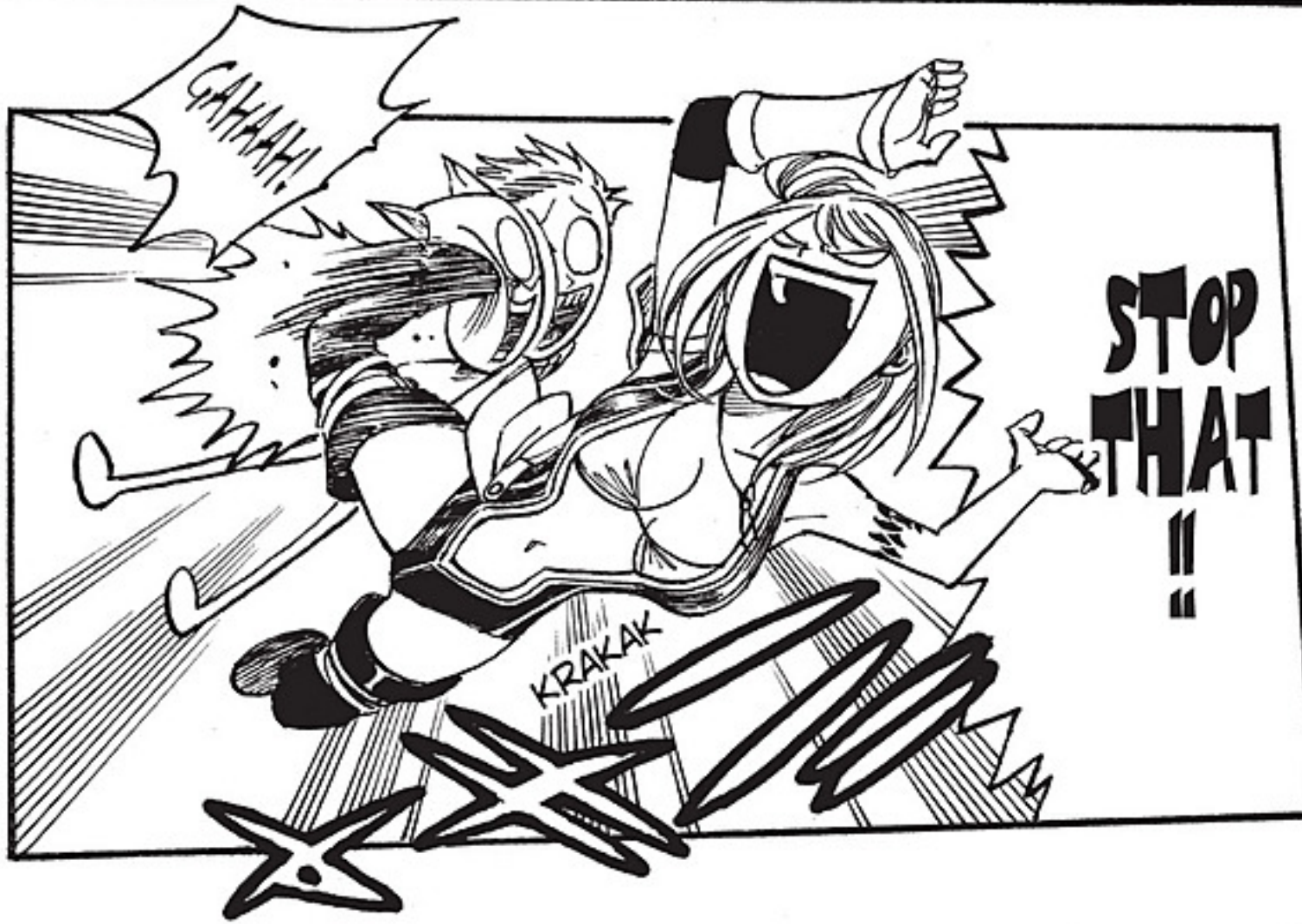




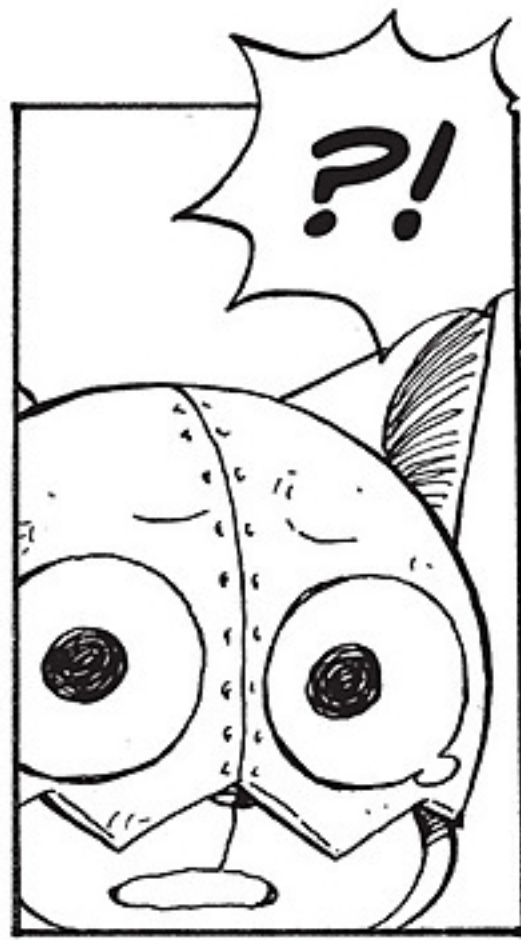








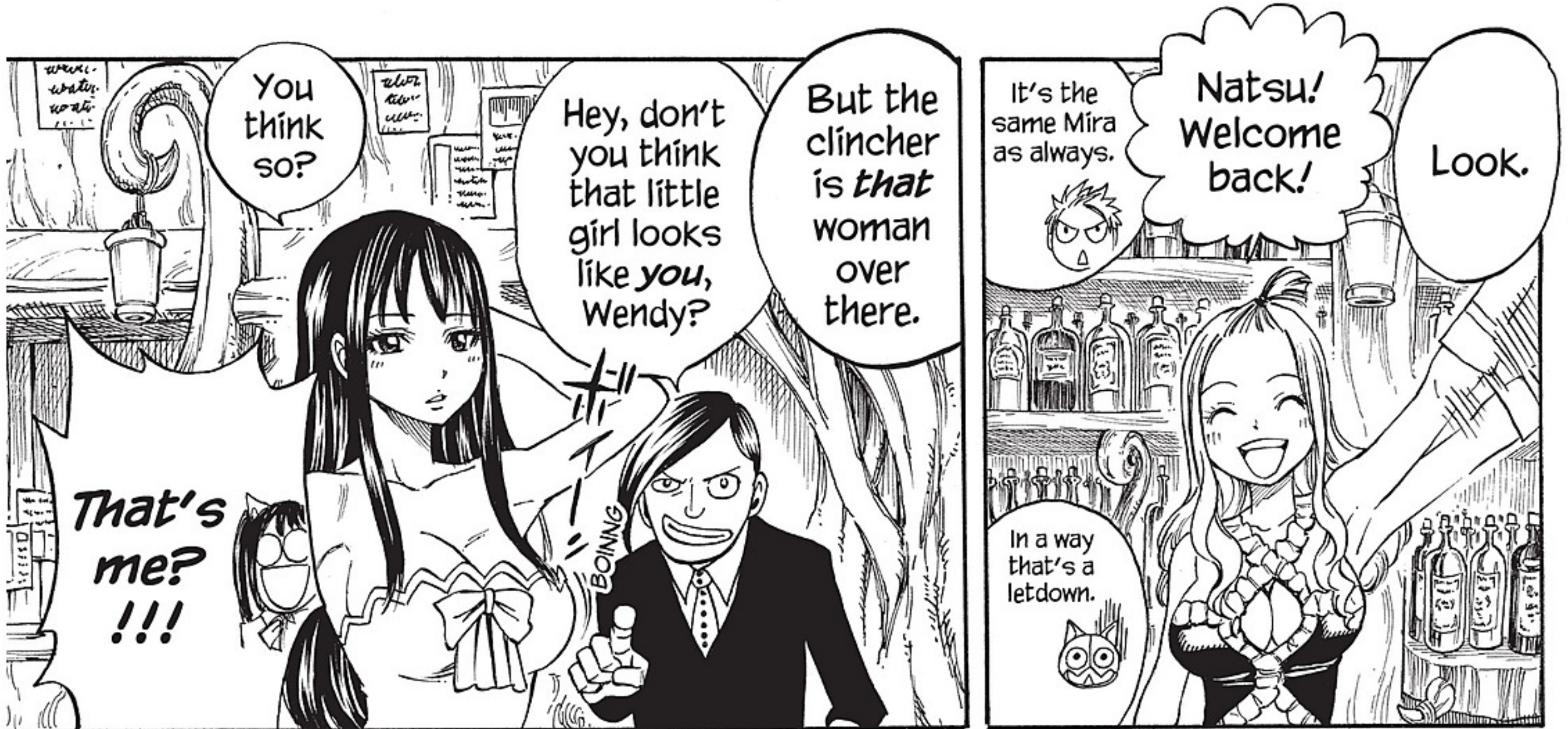




So it *isn't* that everyone here is the opposite.

Mira-san's little sister...? I remember somebody saying that she was dead.

H-How can Lisanna be here...?



You think so?

Hey, don't you think that little girl looks like *you*, Wendy?

But the clincher is *that* woman over there.

It's the same Mira as always.

Natsu! Welcome back!

Look.

In a way that's a letdown.

That's me? !!!



...aren't the people we're looking for!

These people...



What?



No, they're not the opposite. They're just different!

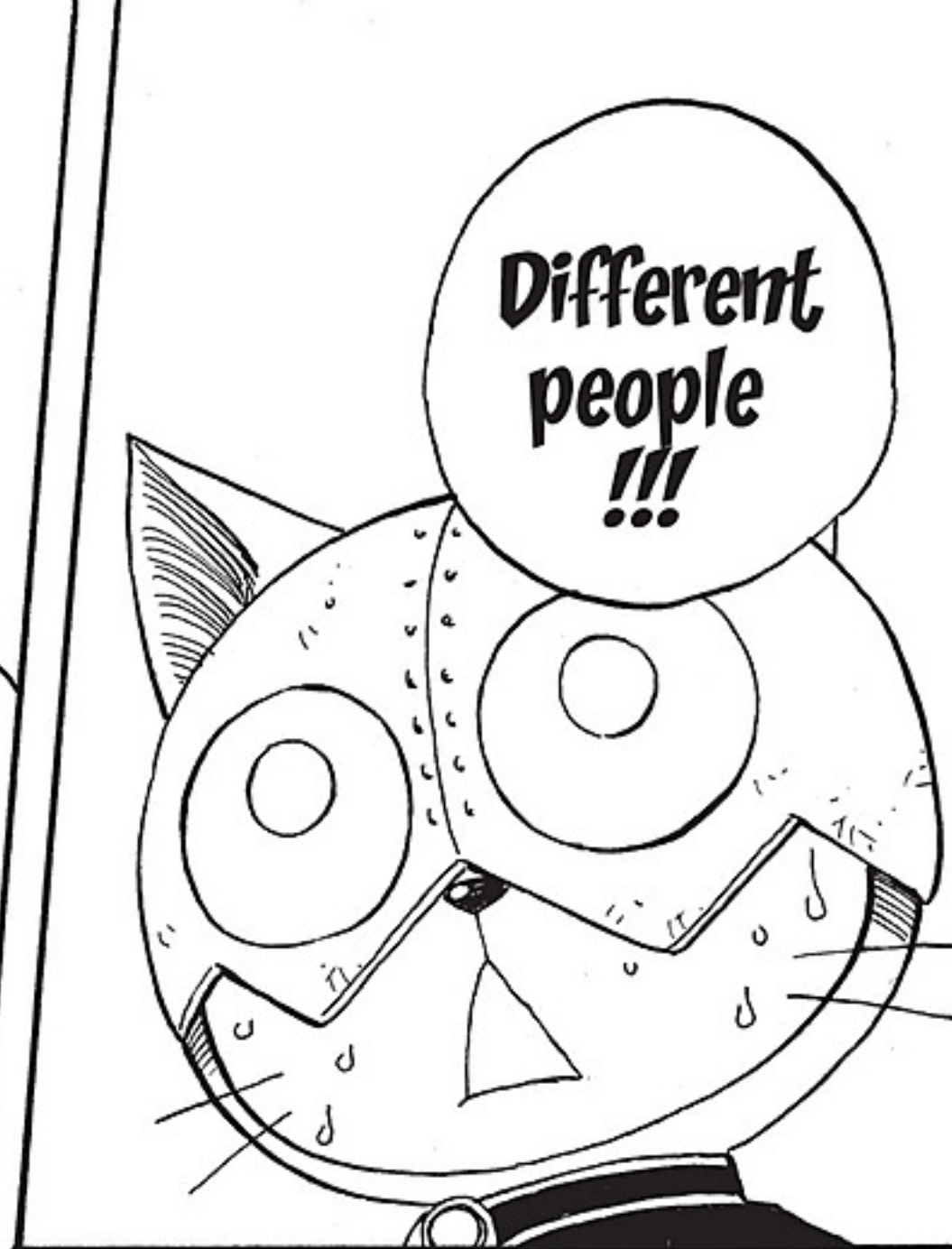




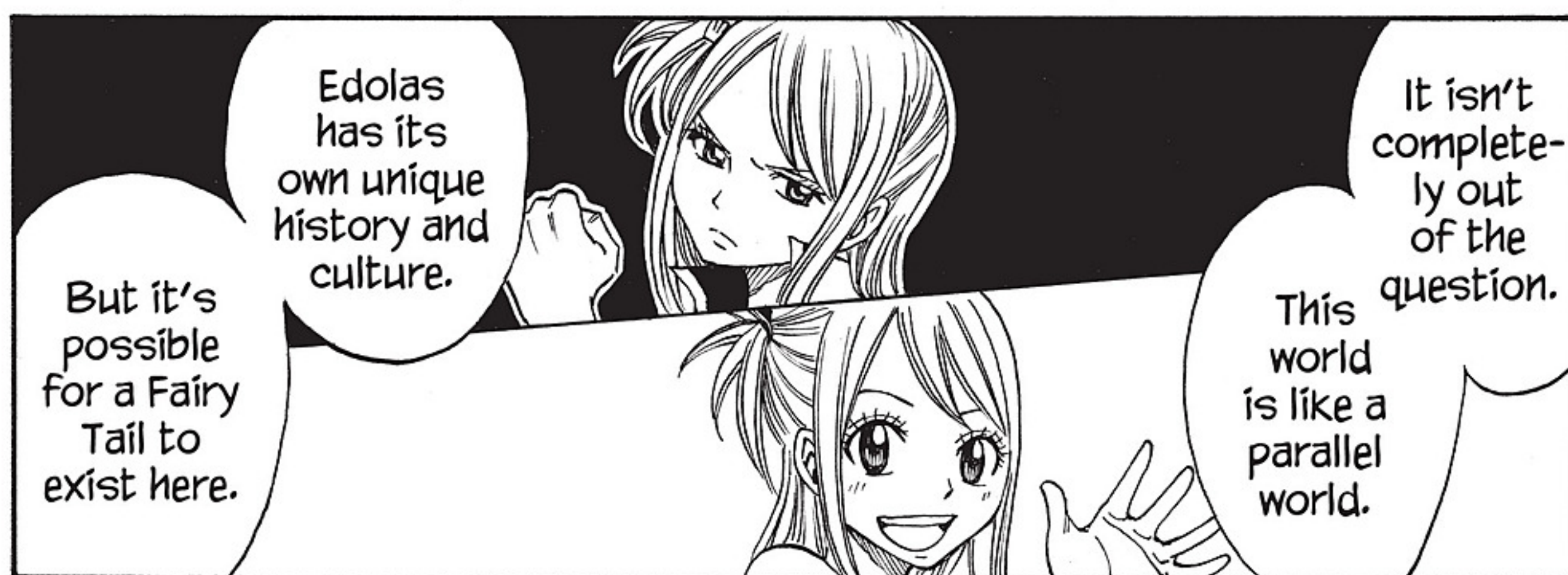
...here  
in Edolas  
from the  
start?!



These  
people  
have  
been...



Different  
people  
!!!



Edolas  
has its  
own unique  
history and  
culture.

But it's  
possible  
for a Fairy  
Tail to  
exist here.

It isn't  
complete-  
ly out of  
the  
question.

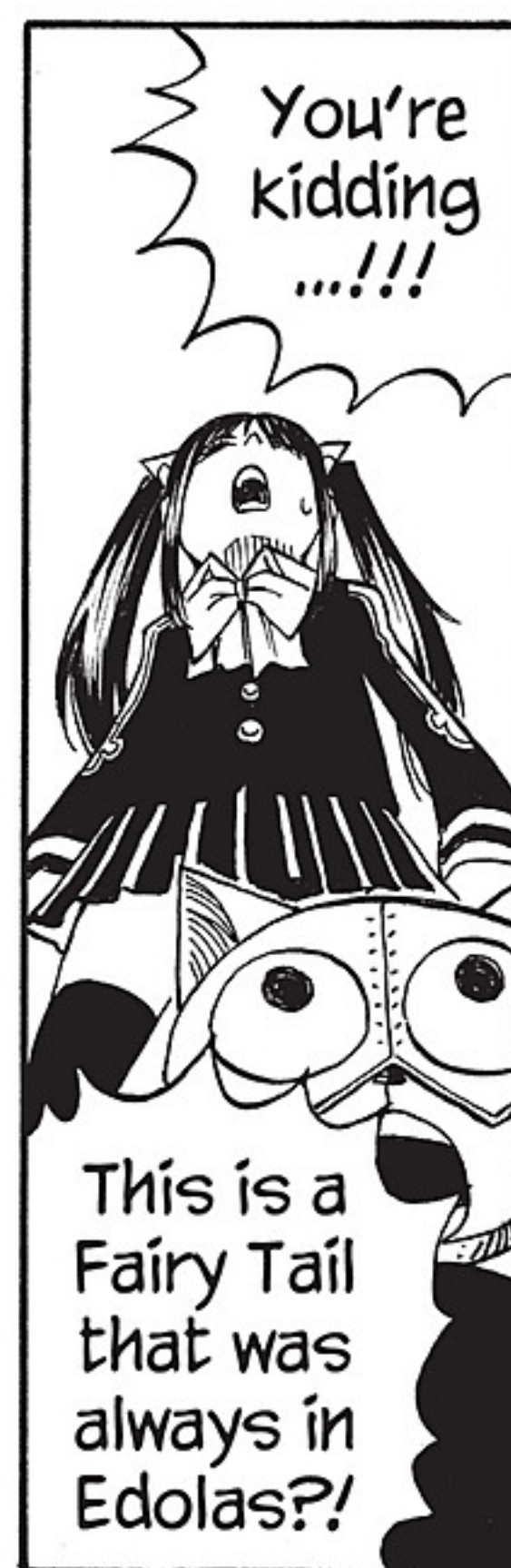
This  
world  
is like a  
parallel  
world.



What are  
you guys  
prattling  
on about  
?

Then where  
is everybody  
that *we*  
know?!!

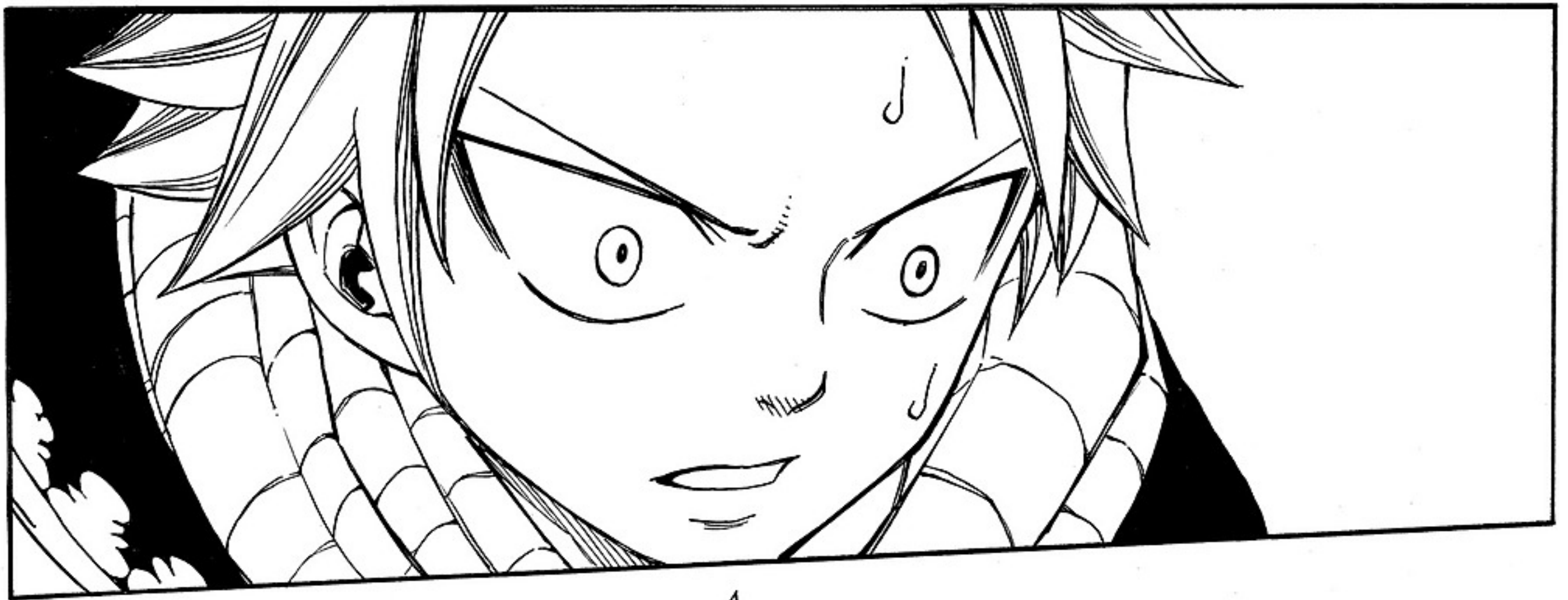
How should  
I know?! We  
have to go out  
looking for  
them, right?



You're  
kidding  
...!!!

This is a  
Fairy Tail  
that was  
always in  
Edolas?!





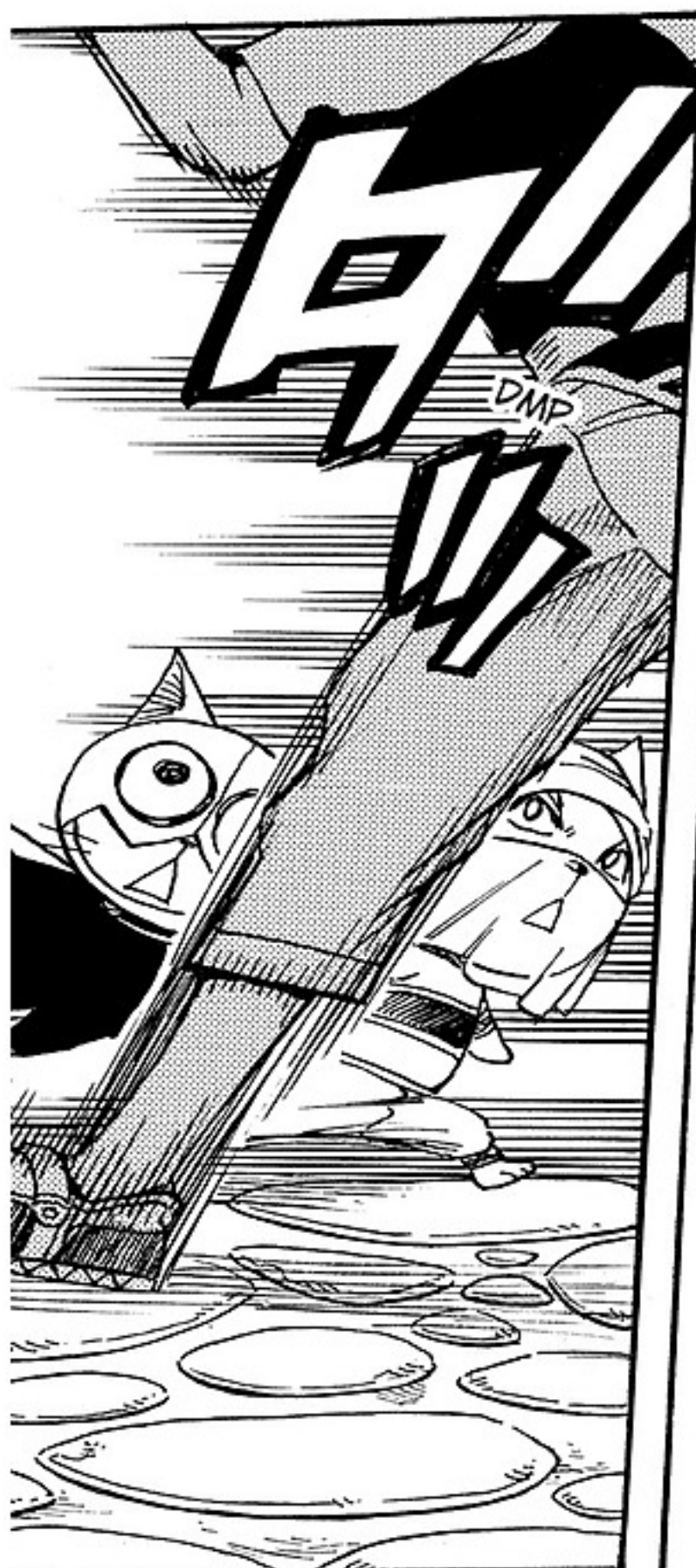
Carla,  
where are  
you going  
...



Whoa!

Let's  
go!

Well, we'll  
get nothing  
but trouble  
staying  
here!



To the  
Capital  
!!!!

If there were  
any traces to  
be found of  
the guild they  
sucked up, that's  
where those  
clues would  
be!!!!



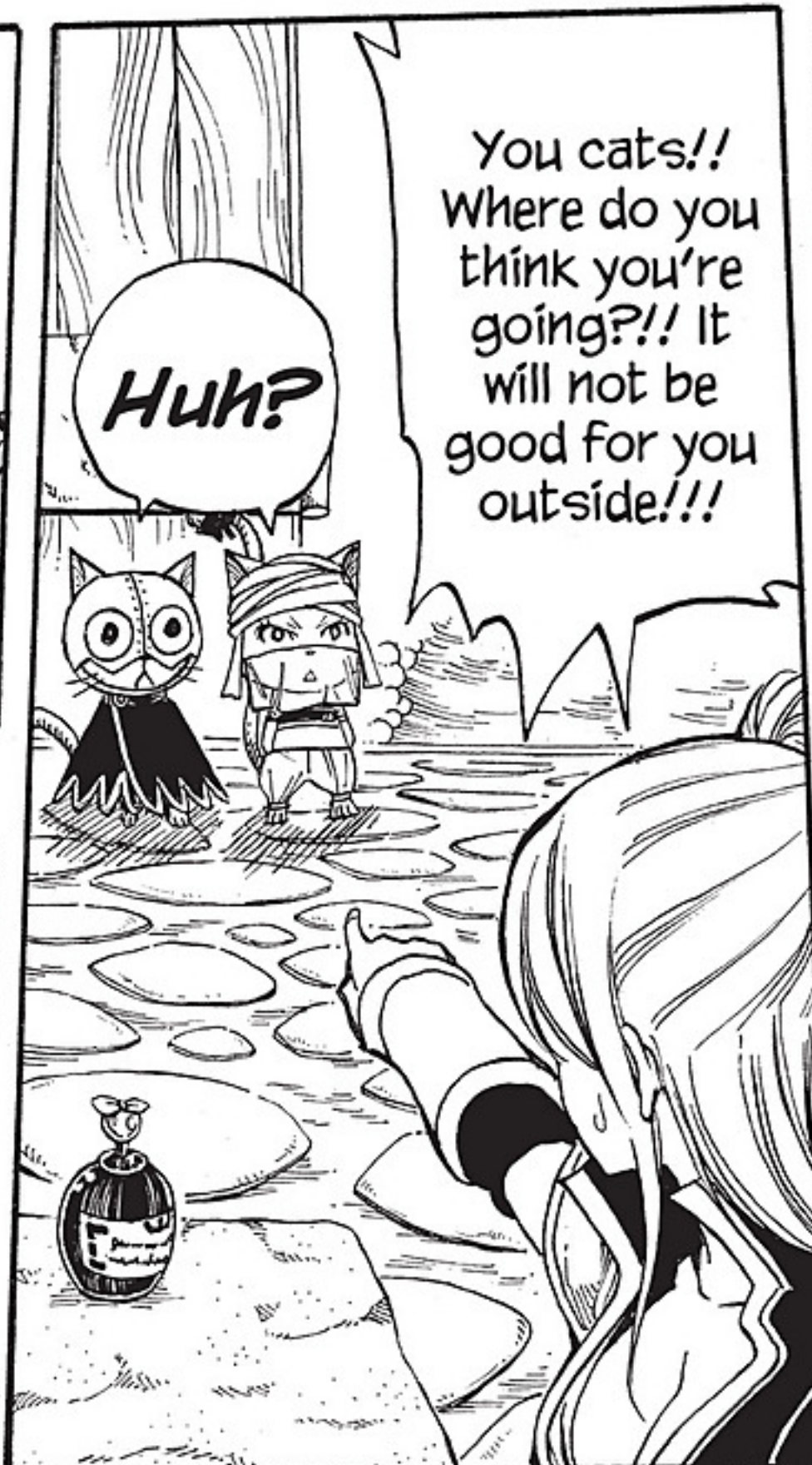


*It's  
the Fairy  
Hunters  
!!!!*



They've  
already  
figured out  
we're here?!!

Ahhhh  
!!!!



Huh?

You cats!!  
Where do you  
think you're  
going?!! It  
will not be  
good for you  
outside!!!



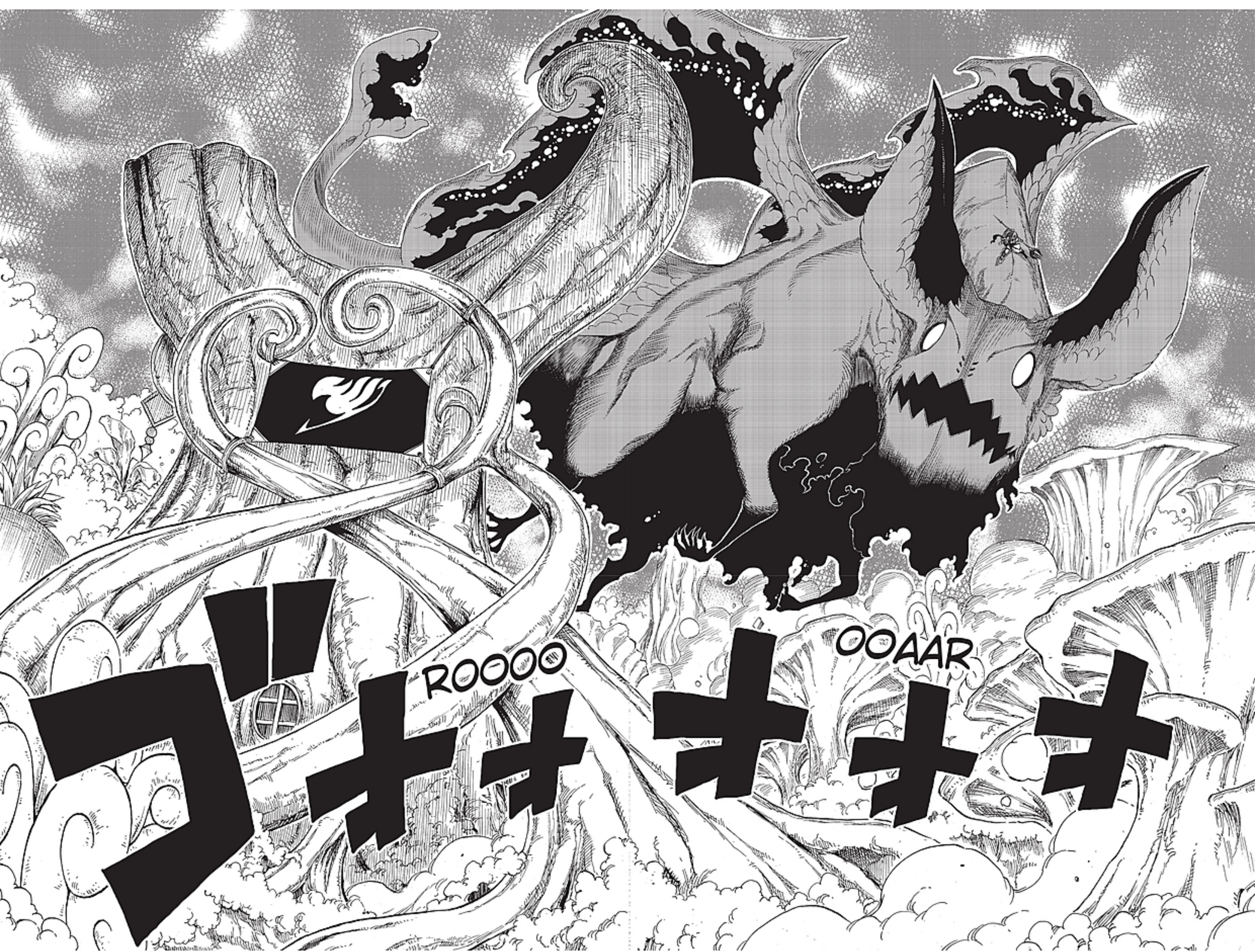
They're  
after  
us...!

It's the  
King-  
dom's  
people!



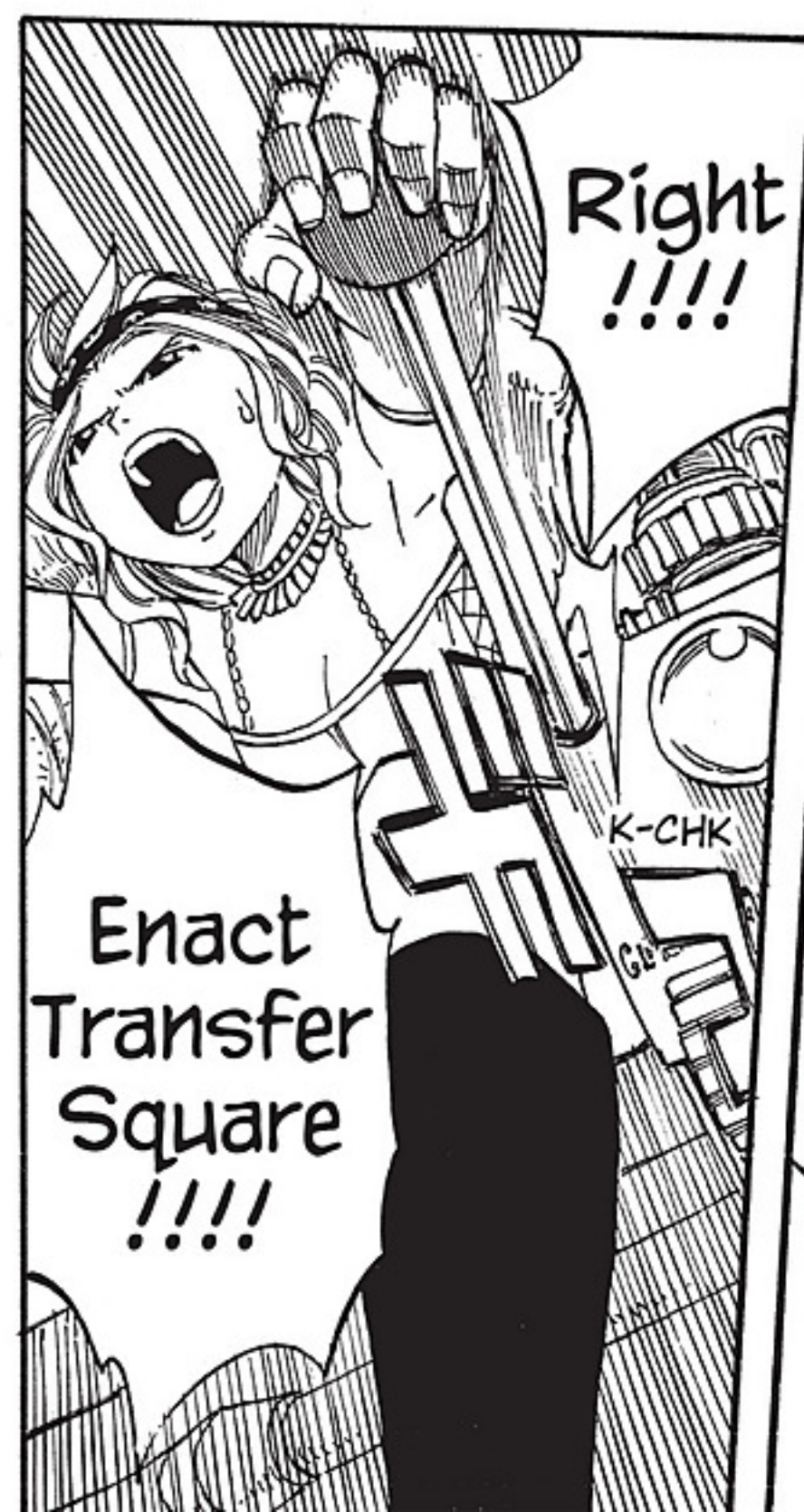
?!!



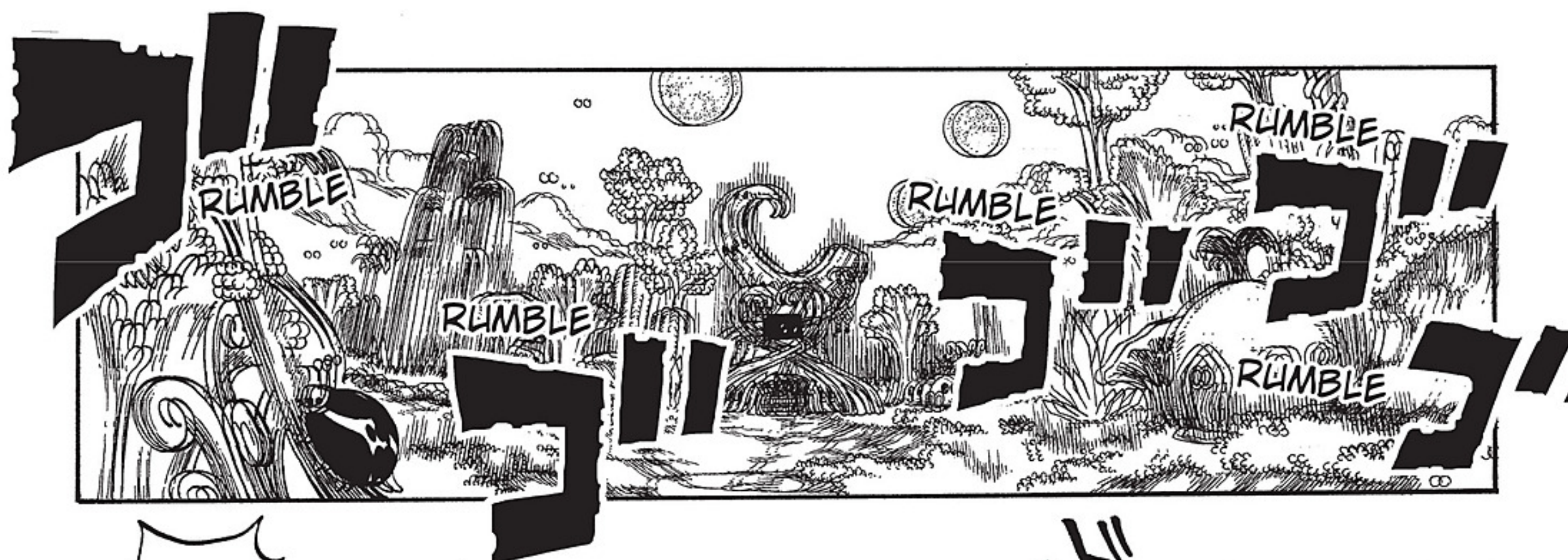
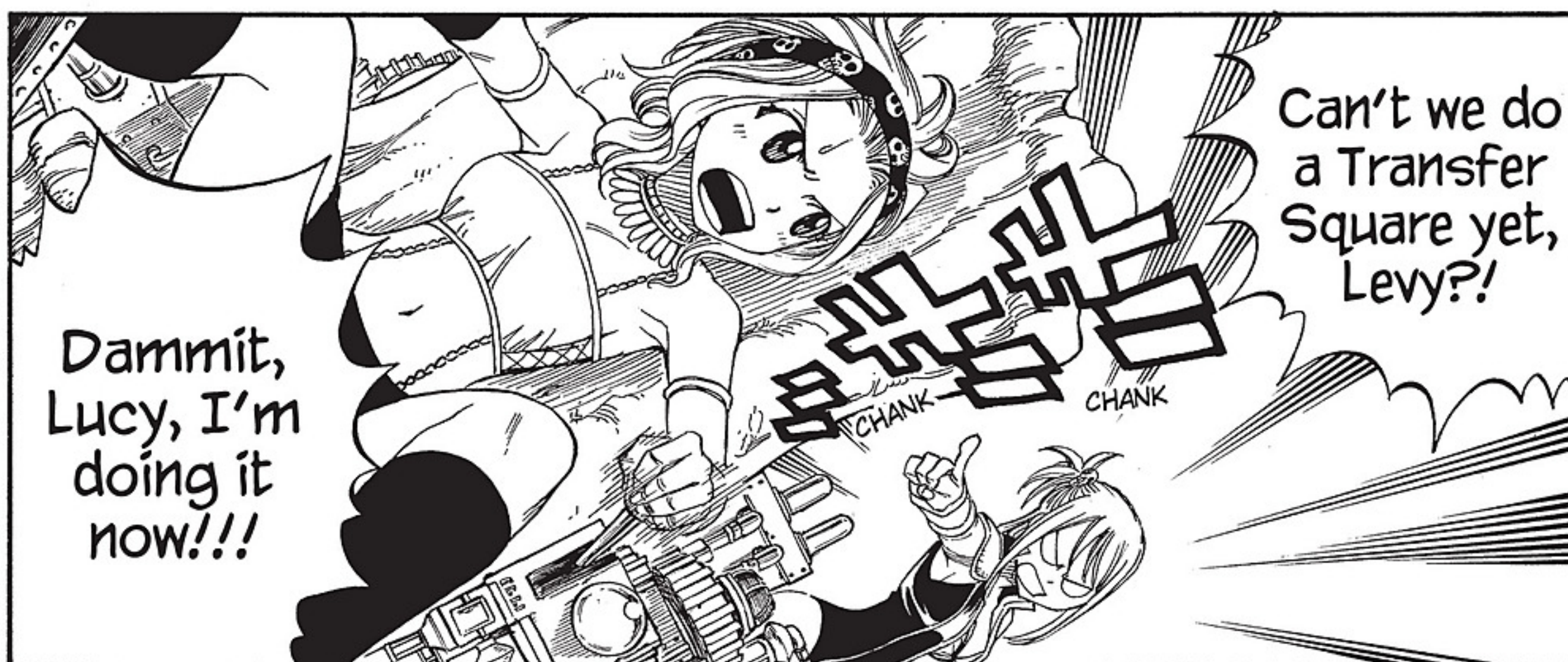


ロoooo  
オオオオ  
オオオオ

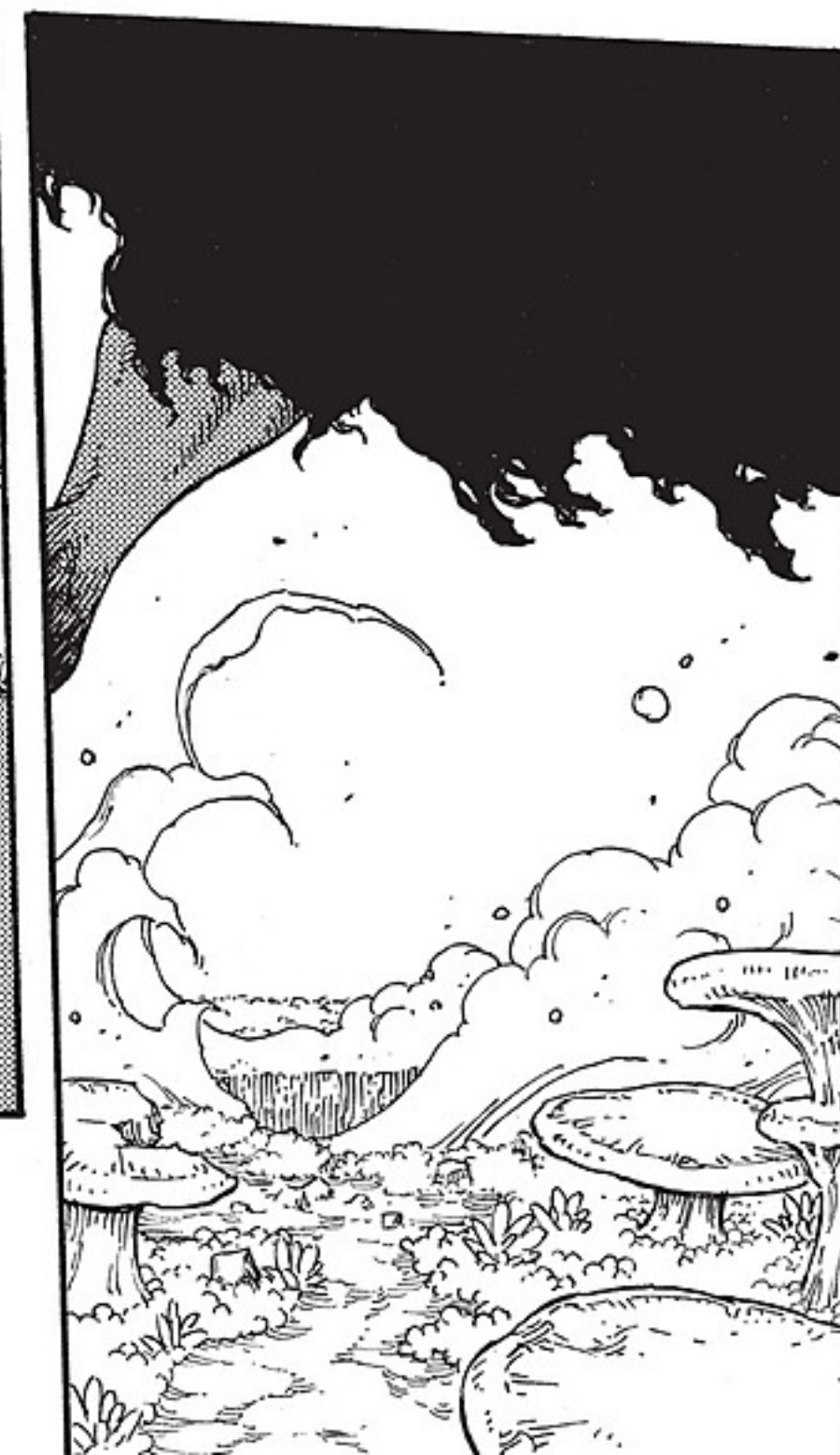
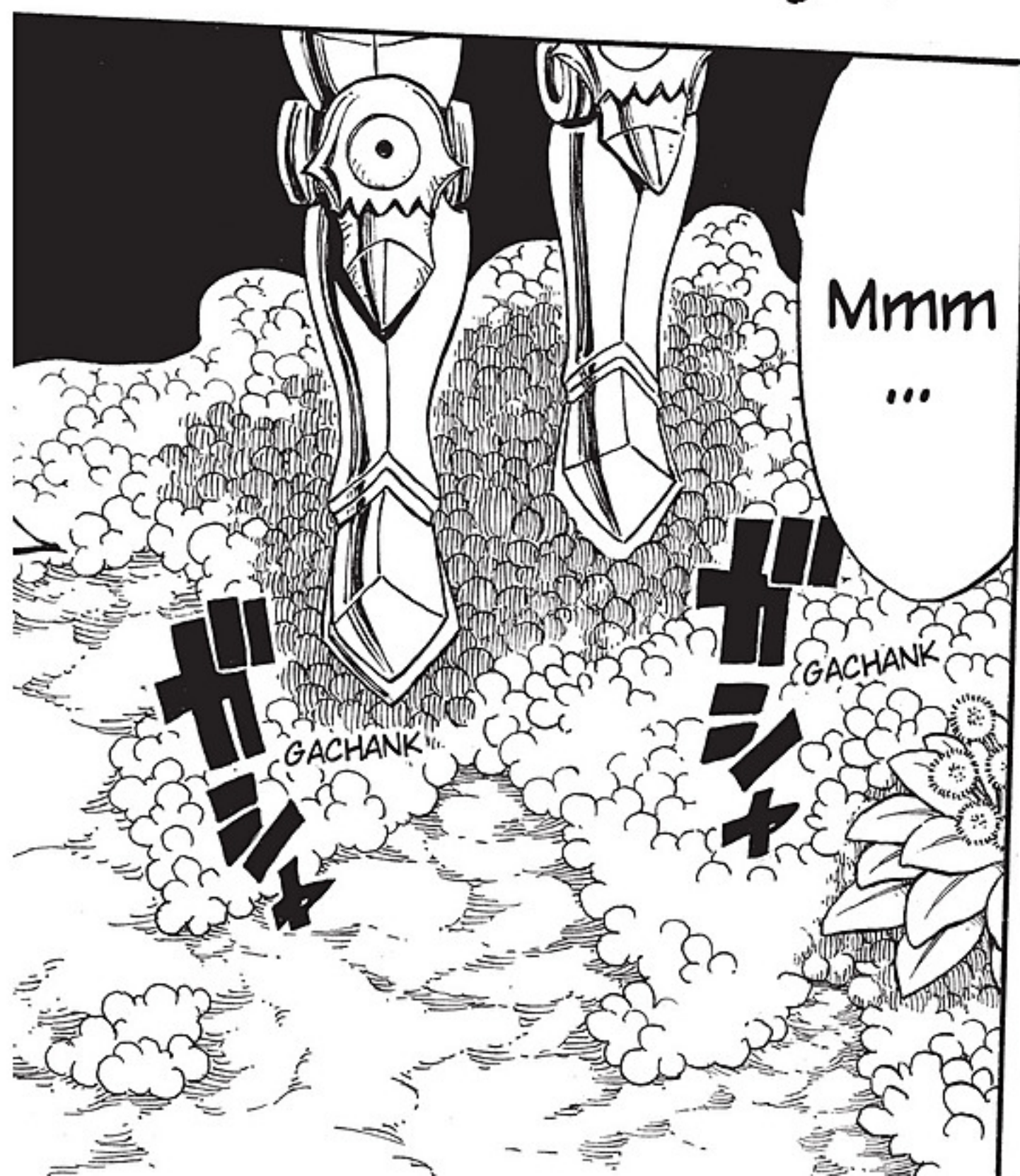
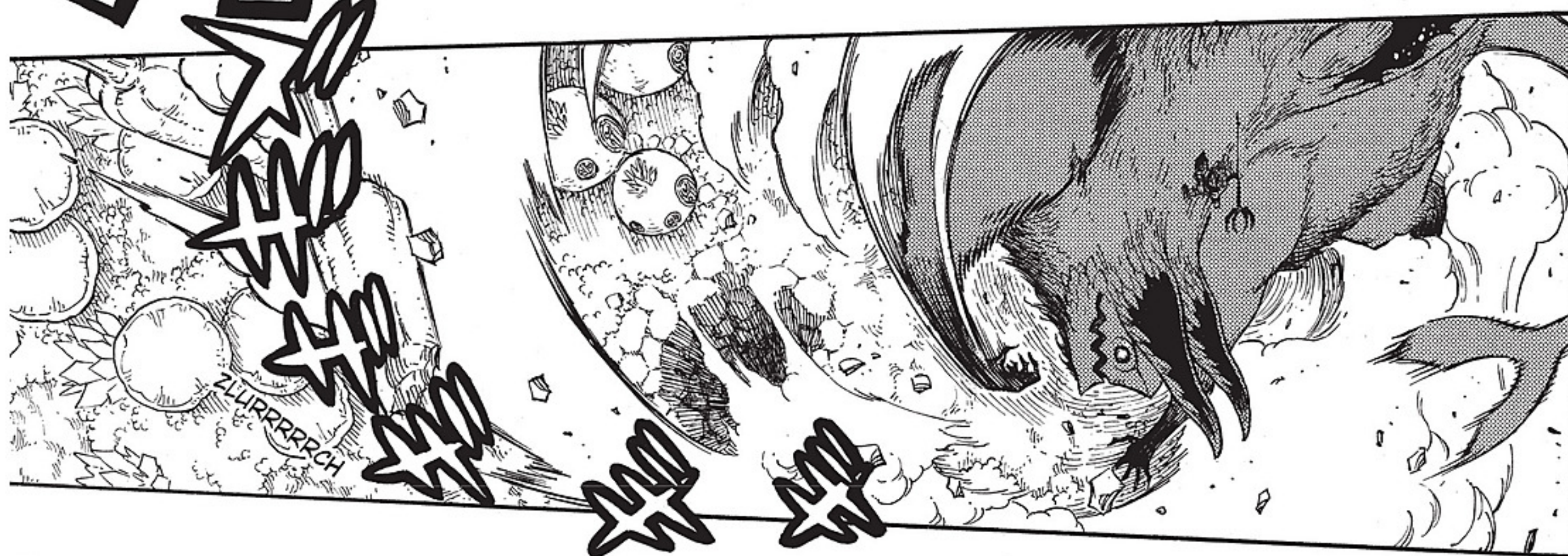




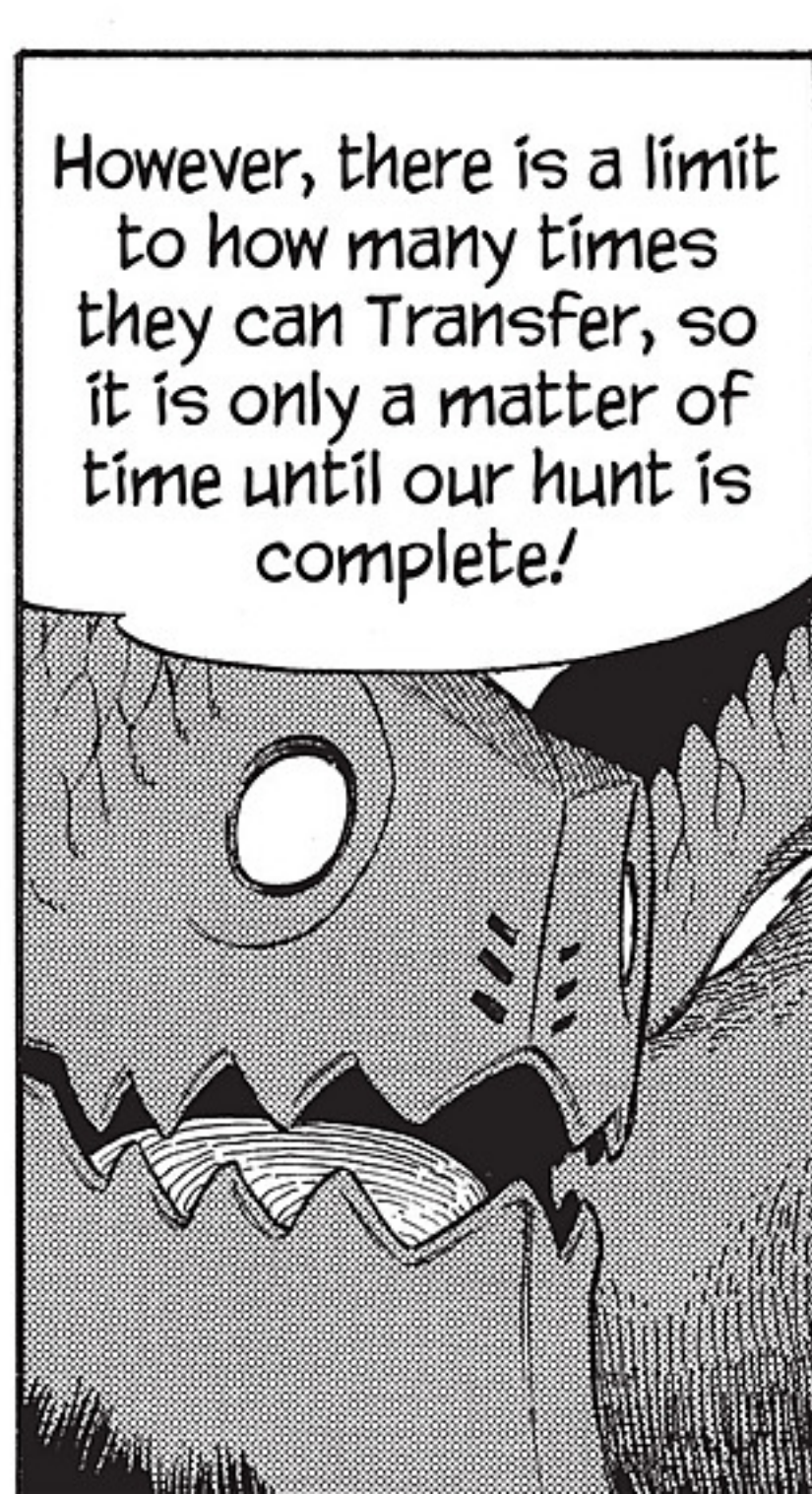




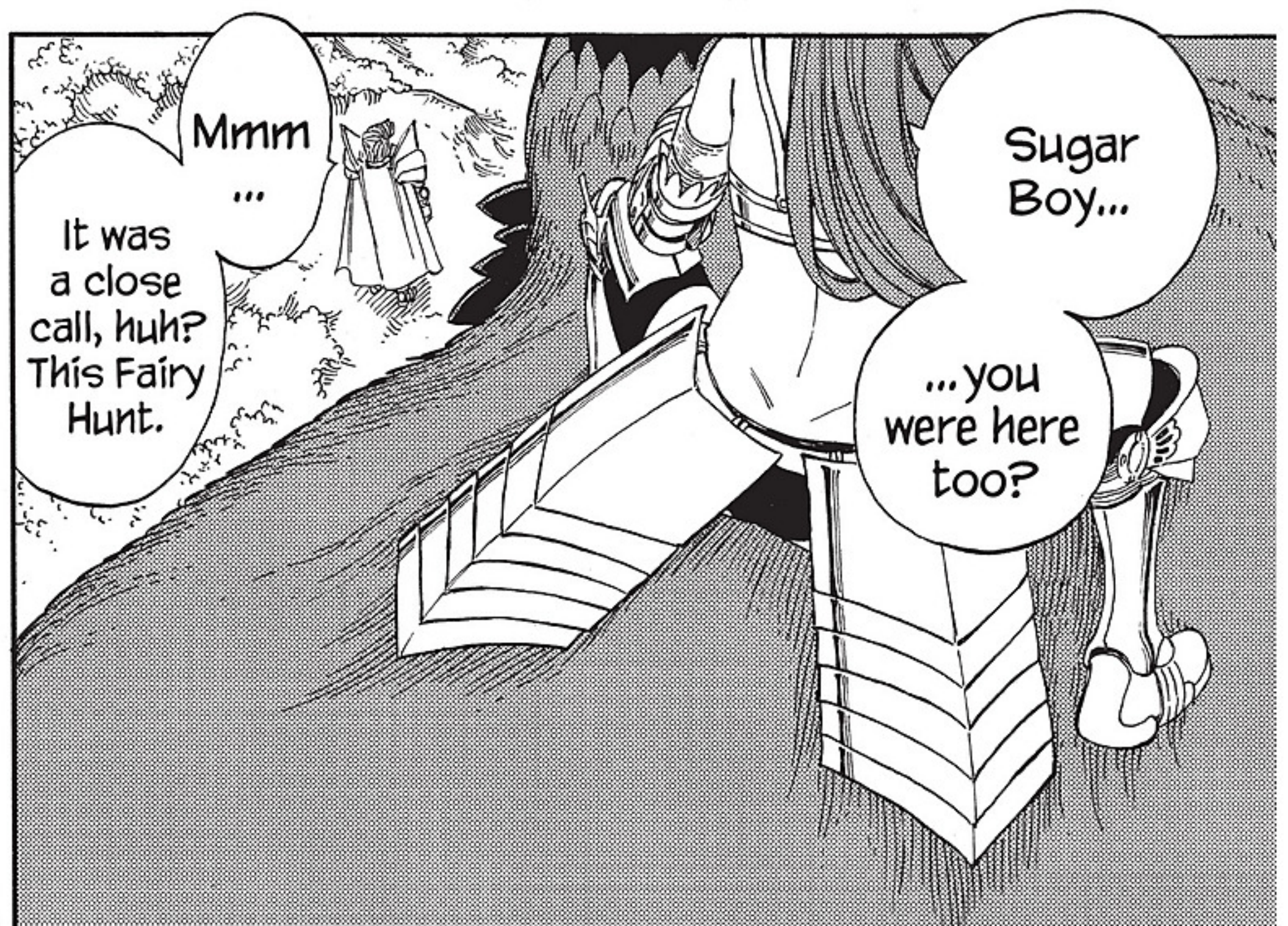








However, there is a limit to how many times they can Transfer, so it is only a matter of time until our hunt is complete!



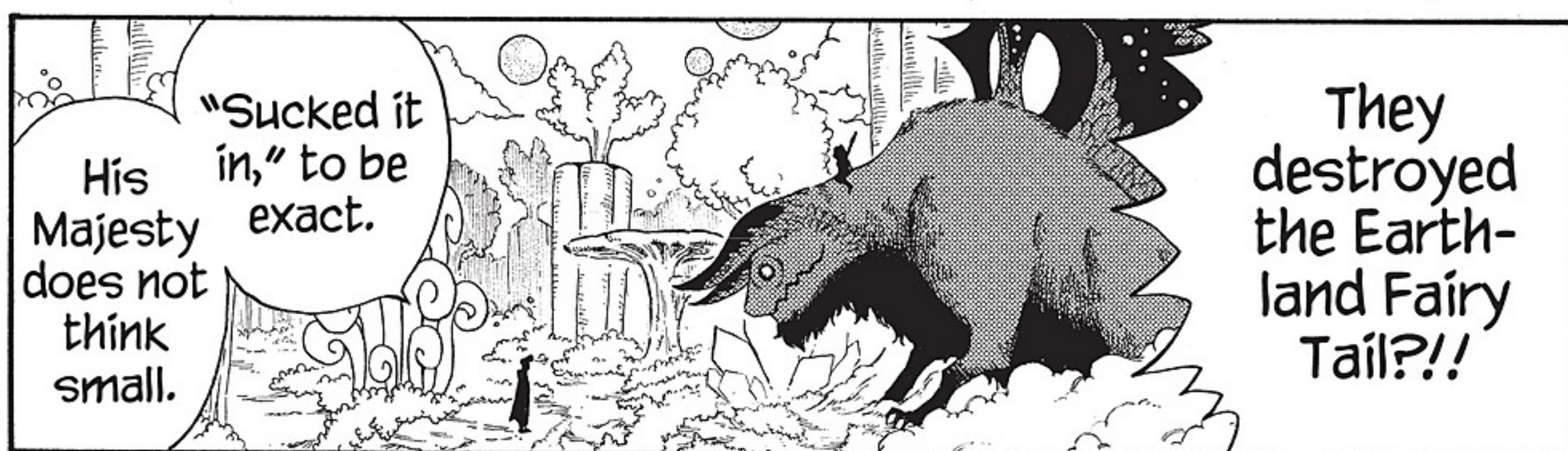
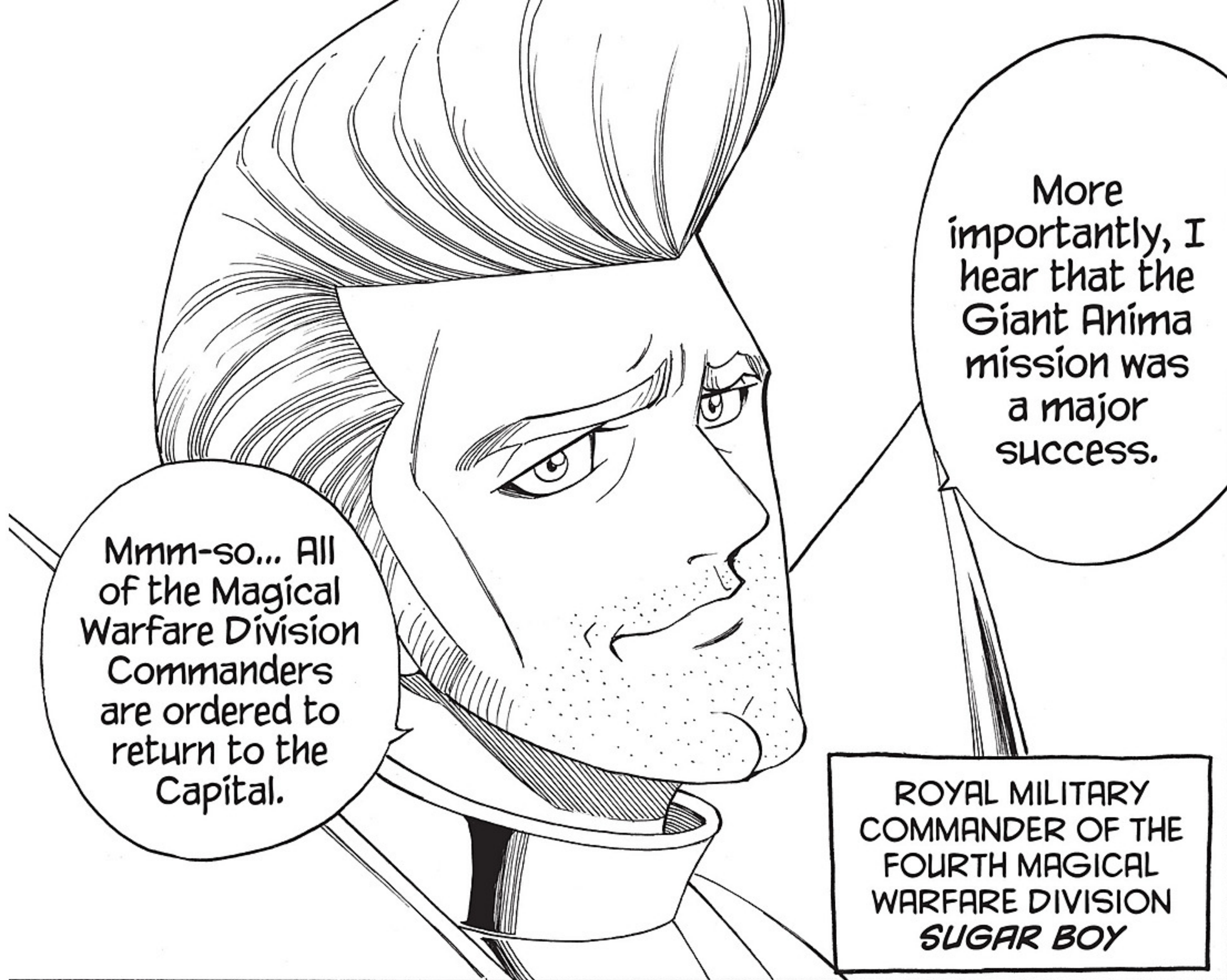
Mmm ...

It was a close call, huh? This Fairy Hunt.

Sugar Boy...

...you were here too?

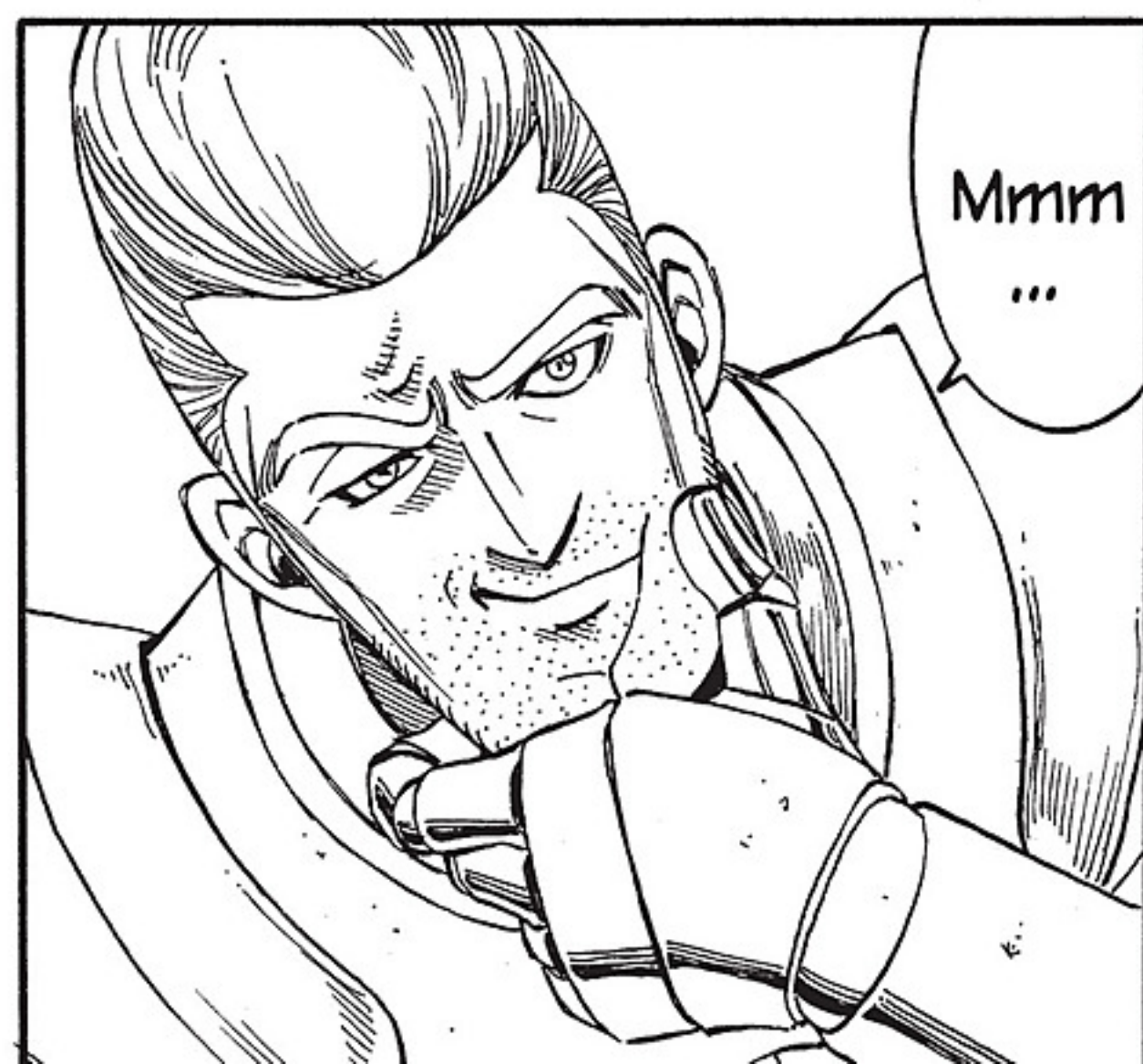




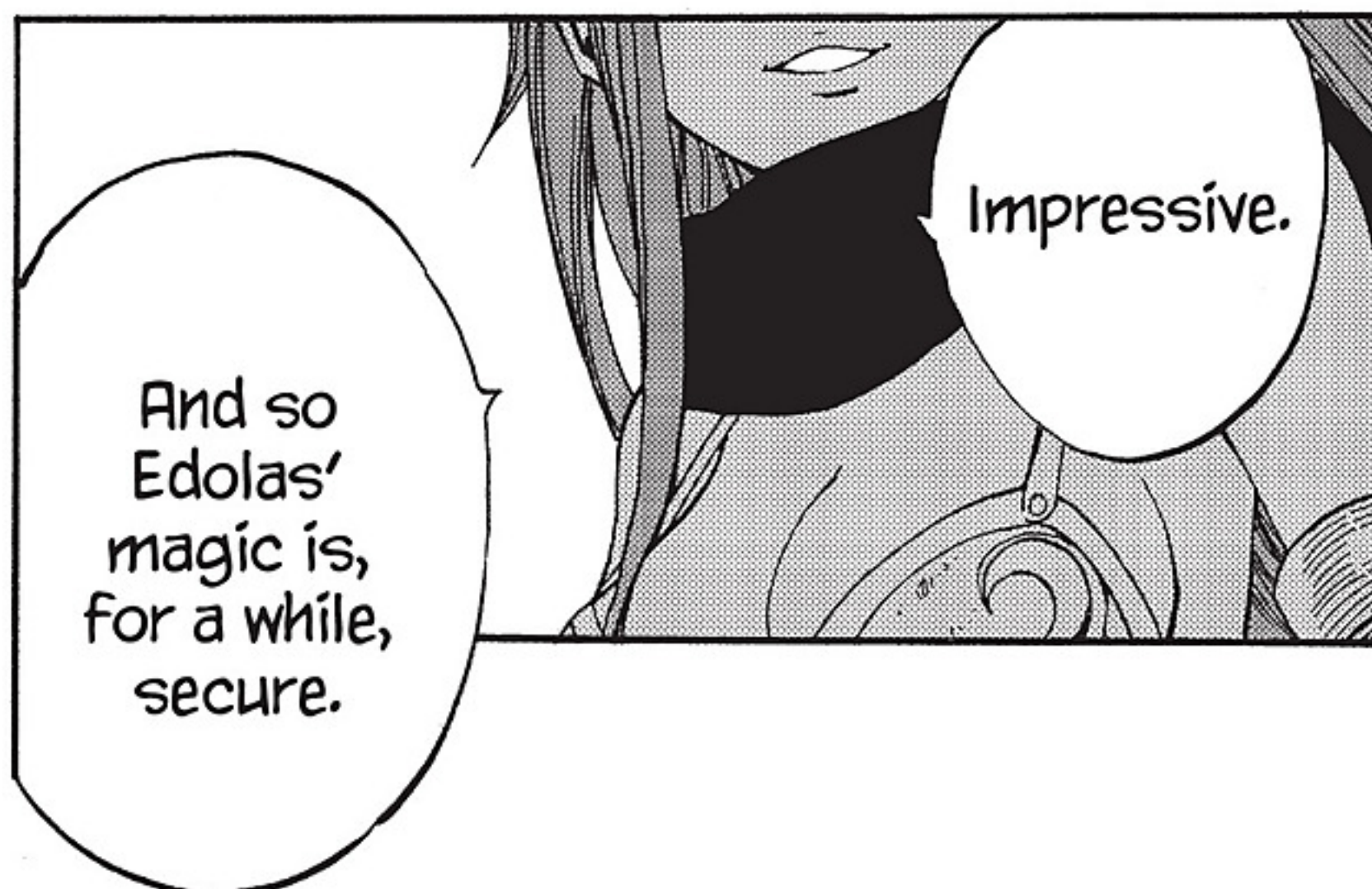




...turned  
into an  
enormous  
lacrima  
crystal.



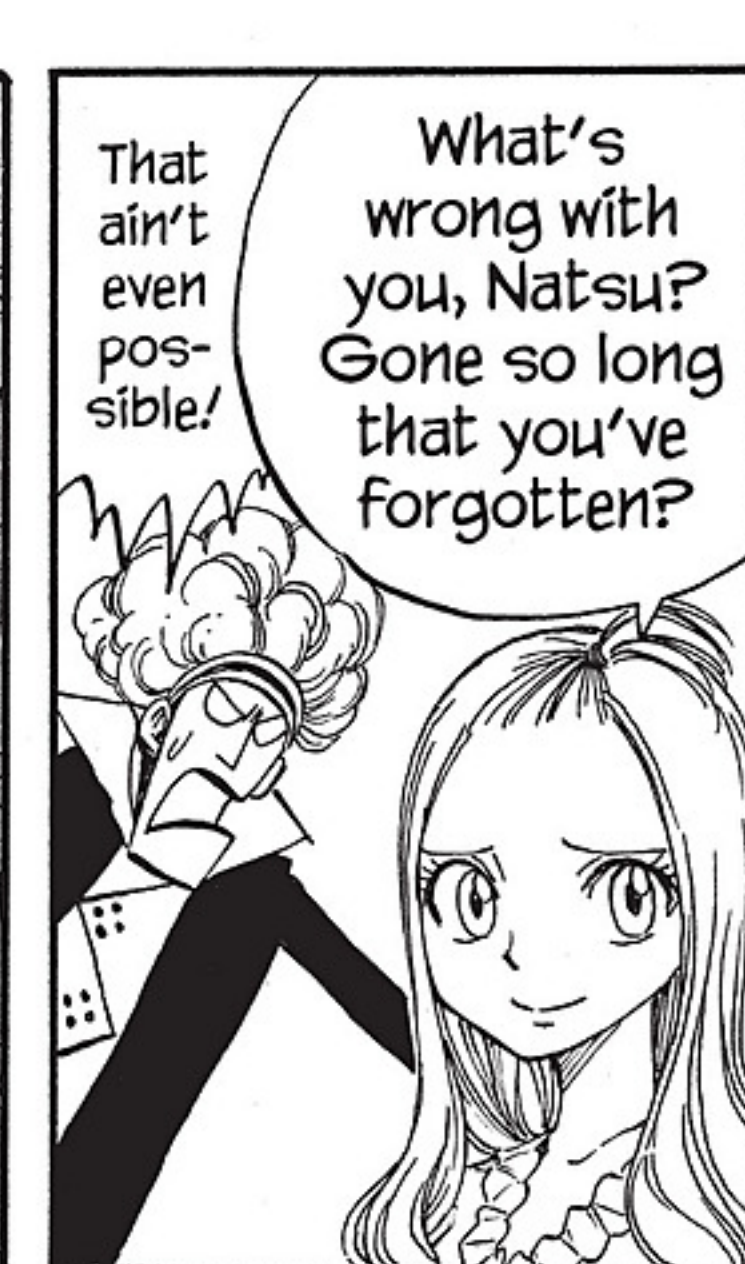
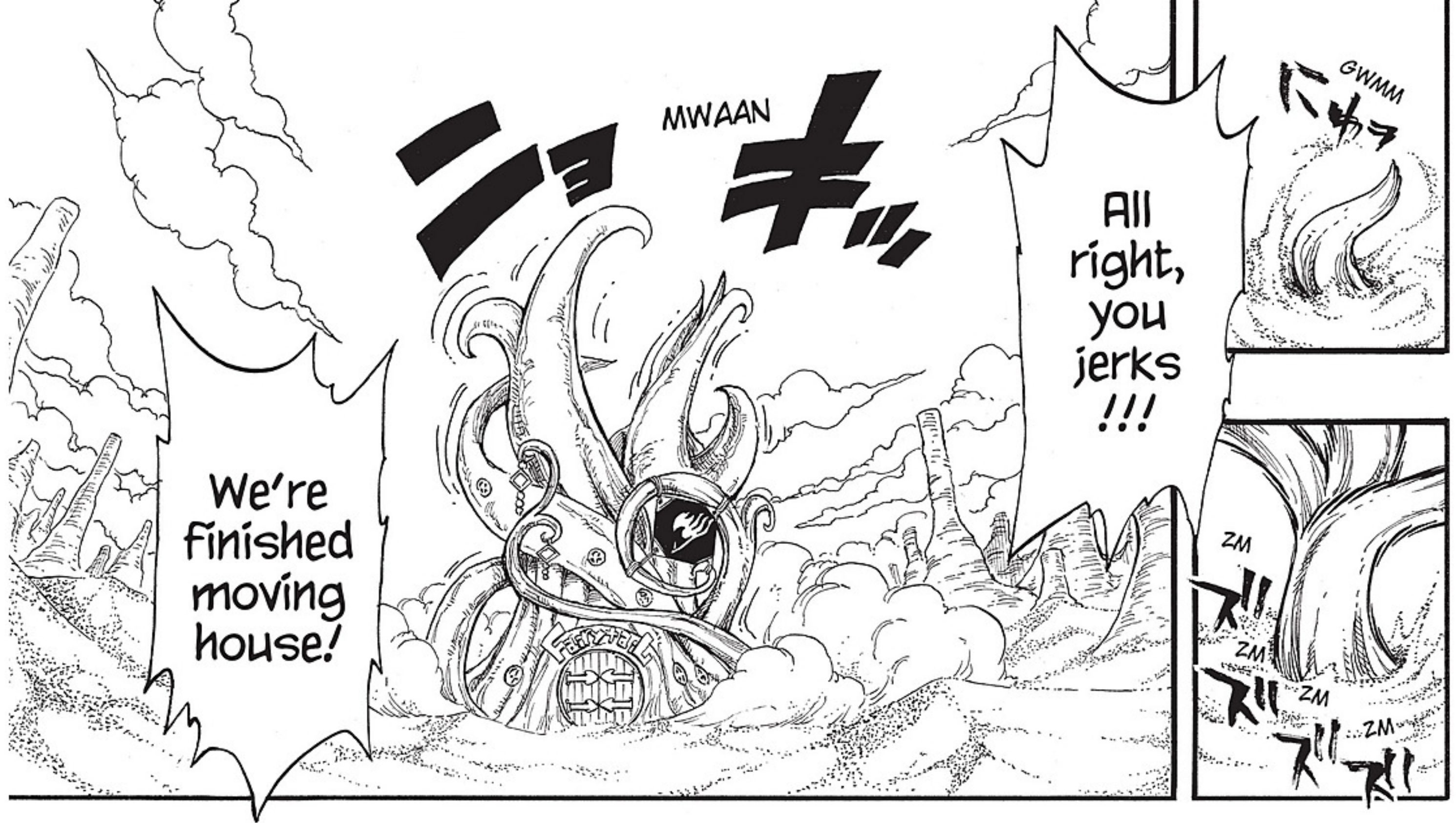
Mmm  
...



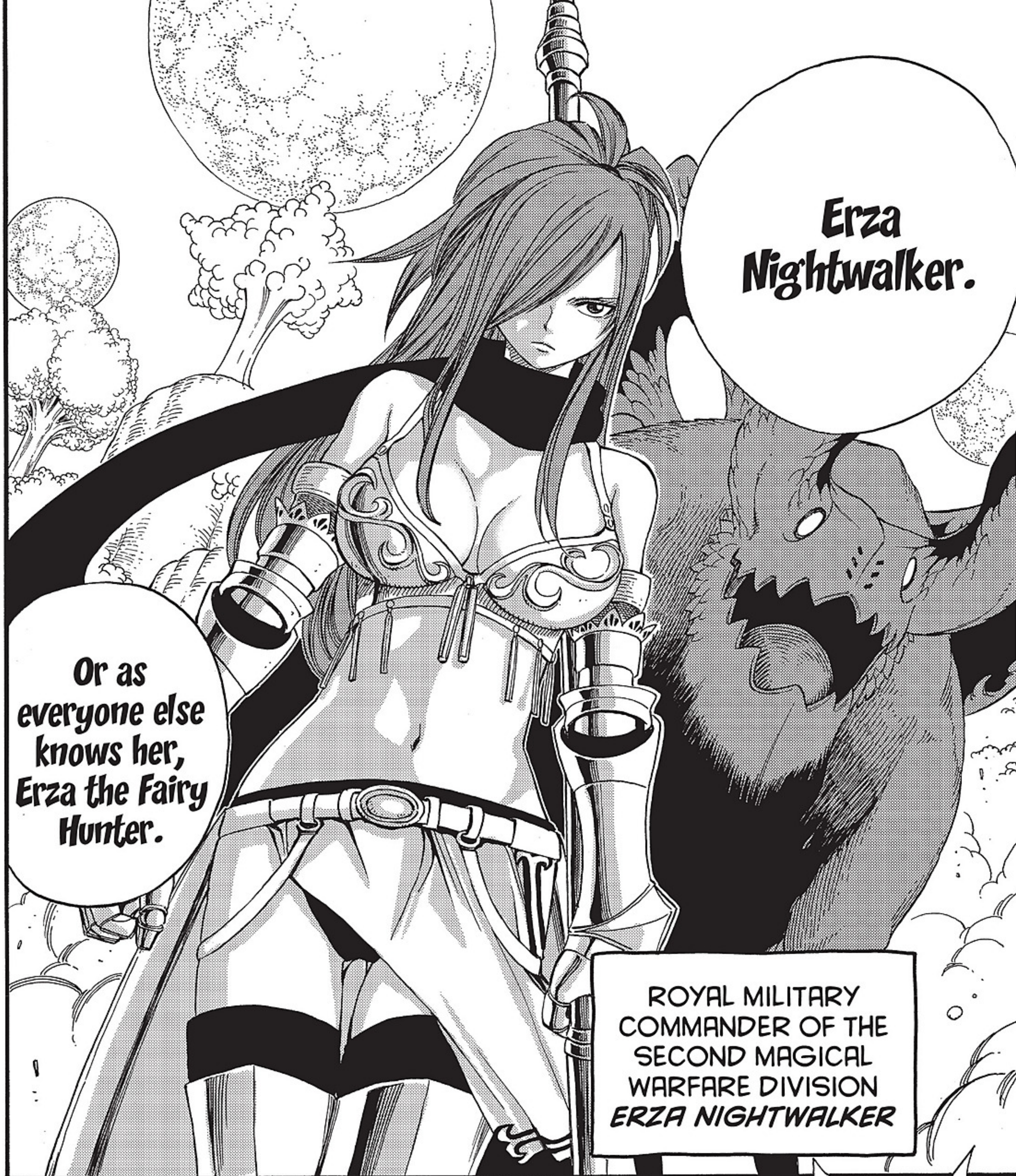
Impressive.

And so  
Edolas'  
magic is,  
for a while,  
secure.













## Chapter 171: Faust





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And you've come to *this world* to try to rescue your friends?

So you're saying what? That you're from another world called *Earth-land*?

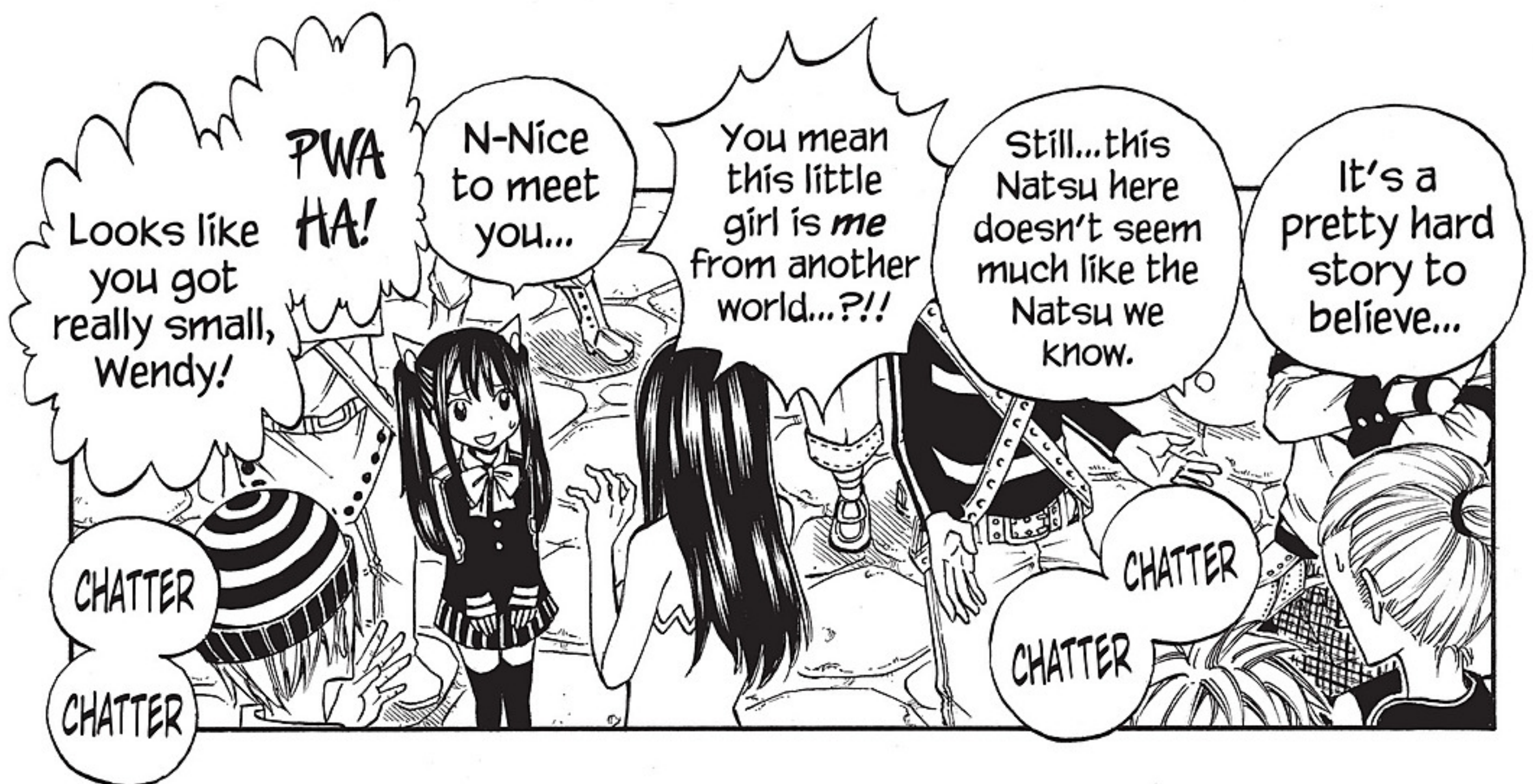
Aye.

That'll do as a rough summation.

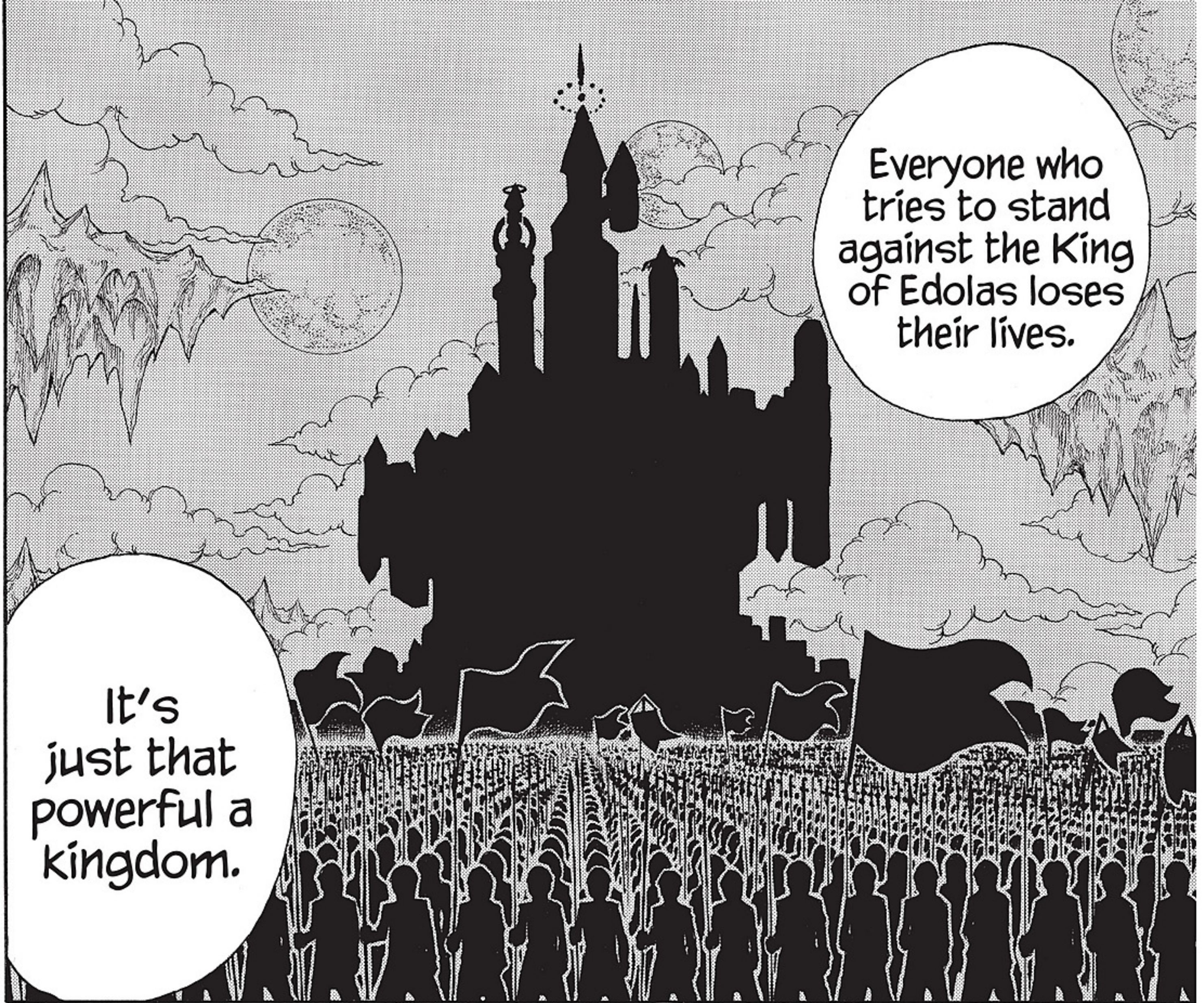
And in your world, Erza's an *ally*?

So there's a Fairy Tail in that world too...



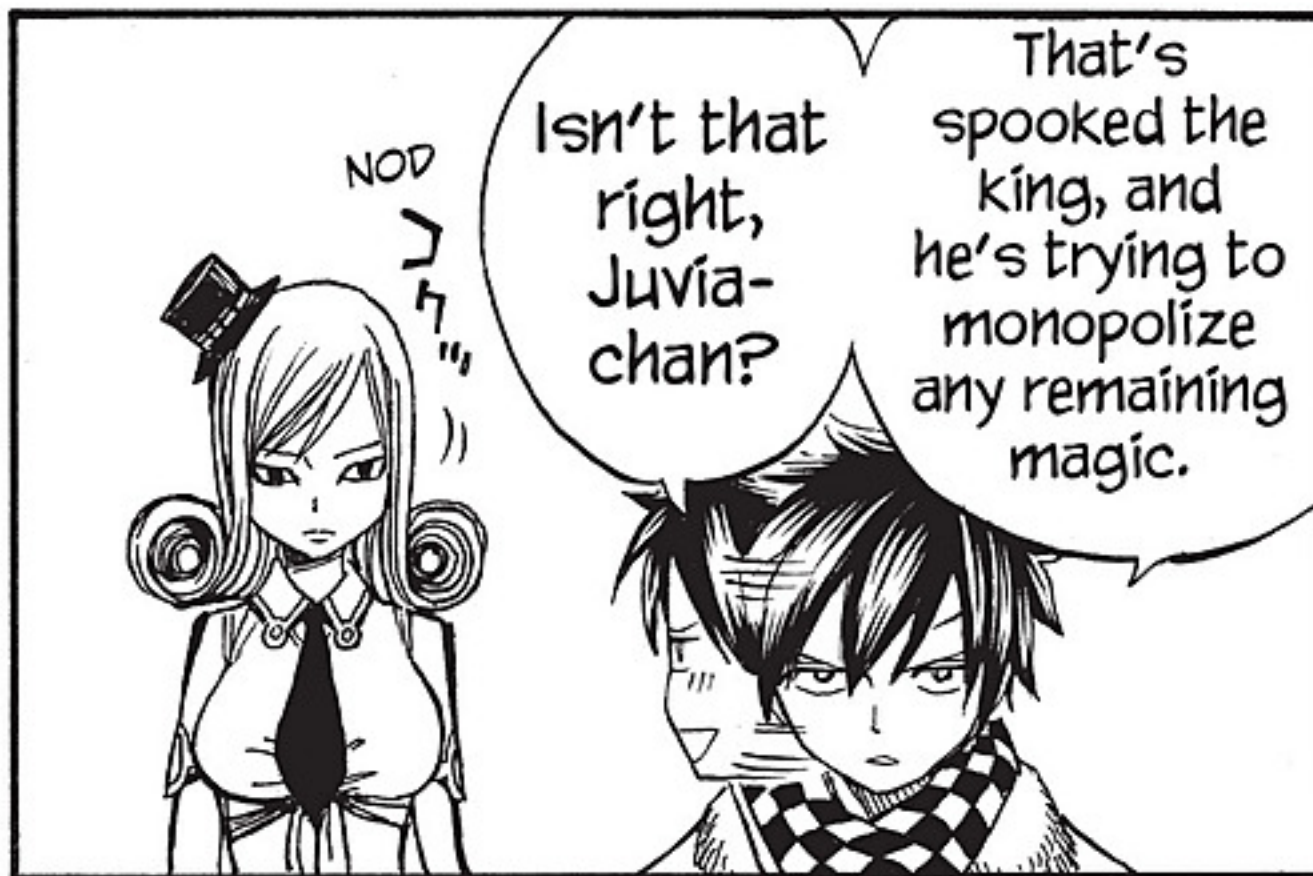






Everyone who  
tries to stand  
against the King  
of Edolas loses  
their lives.

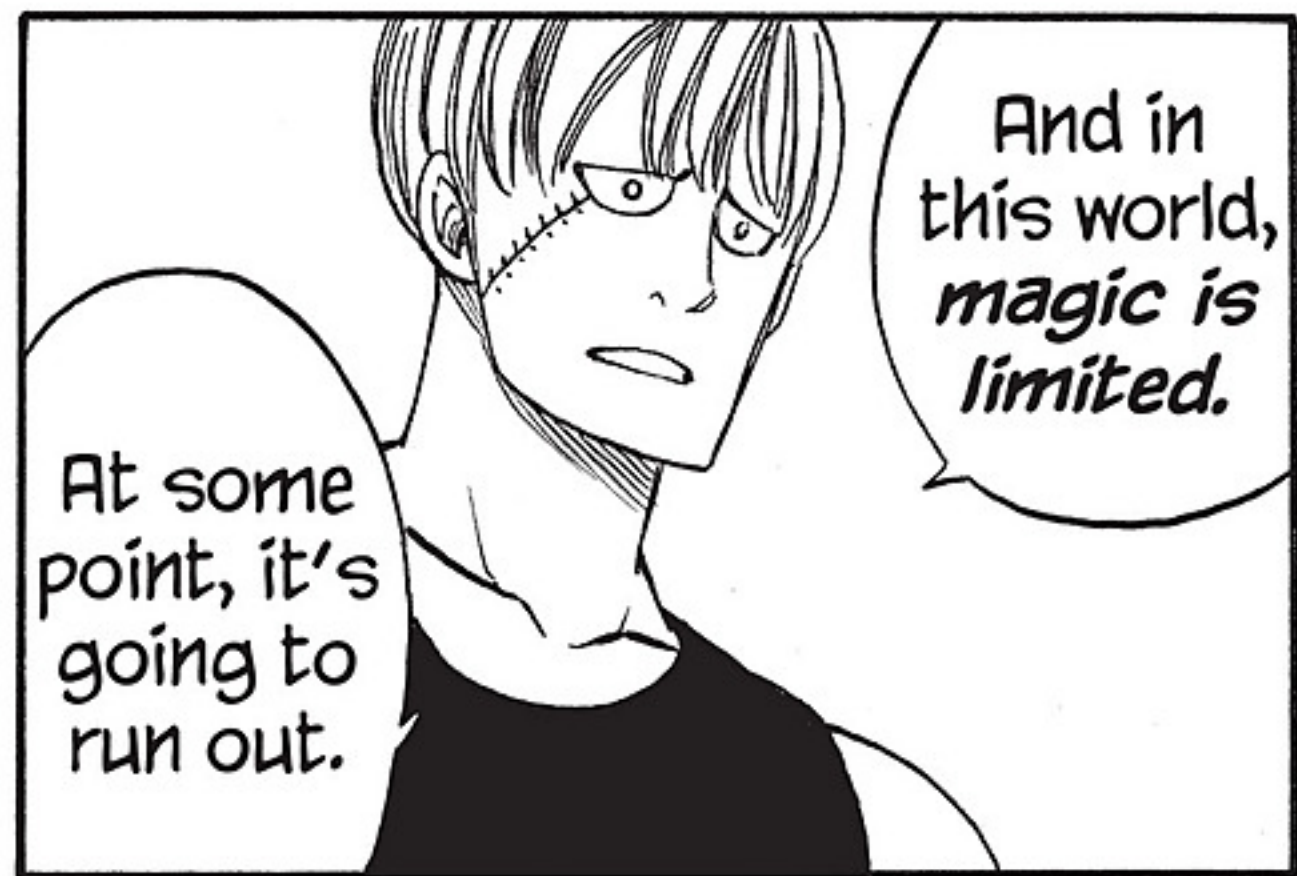
It's  
just that  
powerful a  
kingdom.



NOD  
ノド

Isn't that  
right,  
Juvia-  
chan?

That's  
spooked the  
king, and  
he's trying to  
monopolize  
any remaining  
magic.



At some  
point, it's  
going to  
run out.

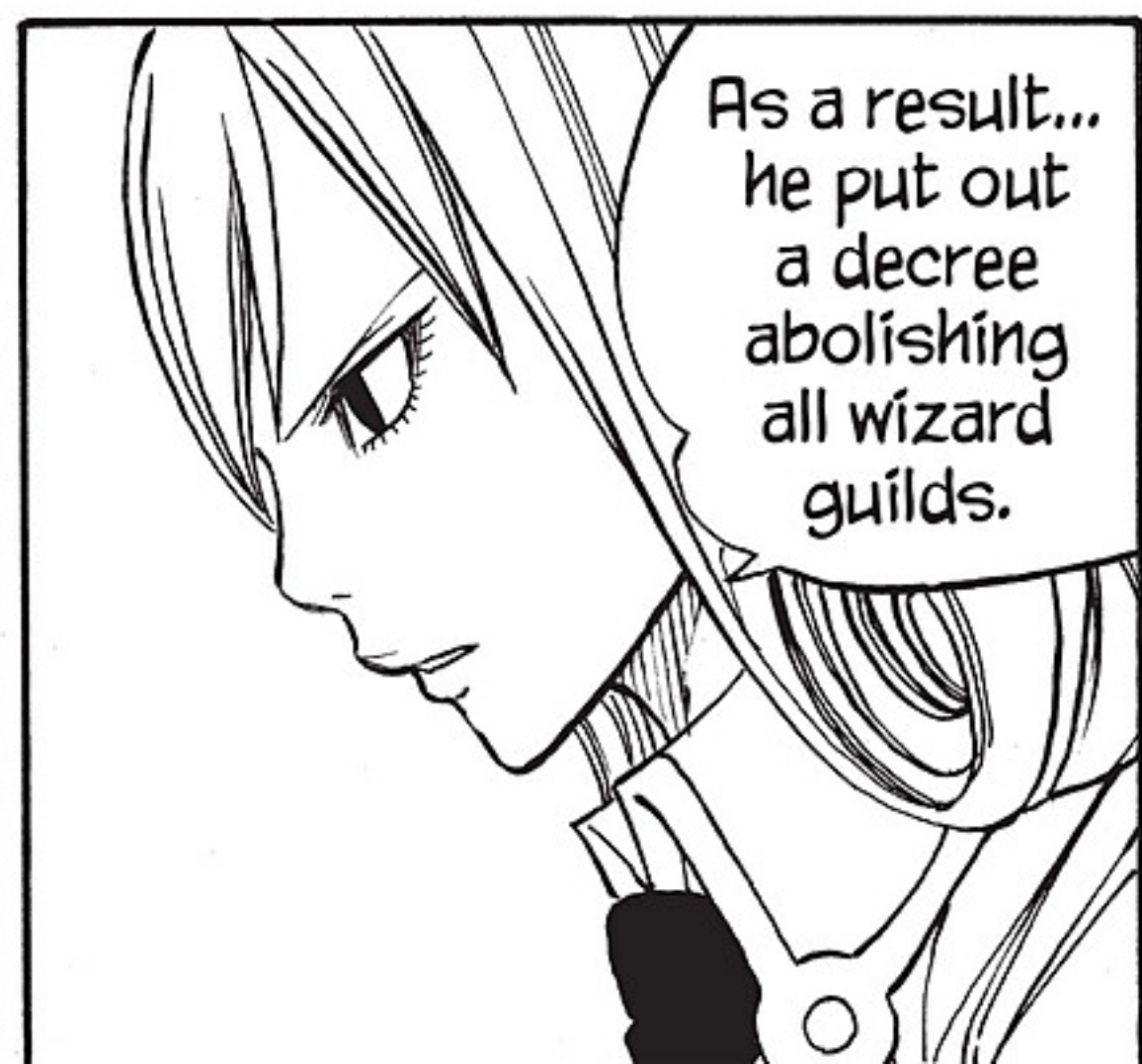
And in  
this world,  
*magic is  
limited.*



We're  
the last  
remaining  
guild.

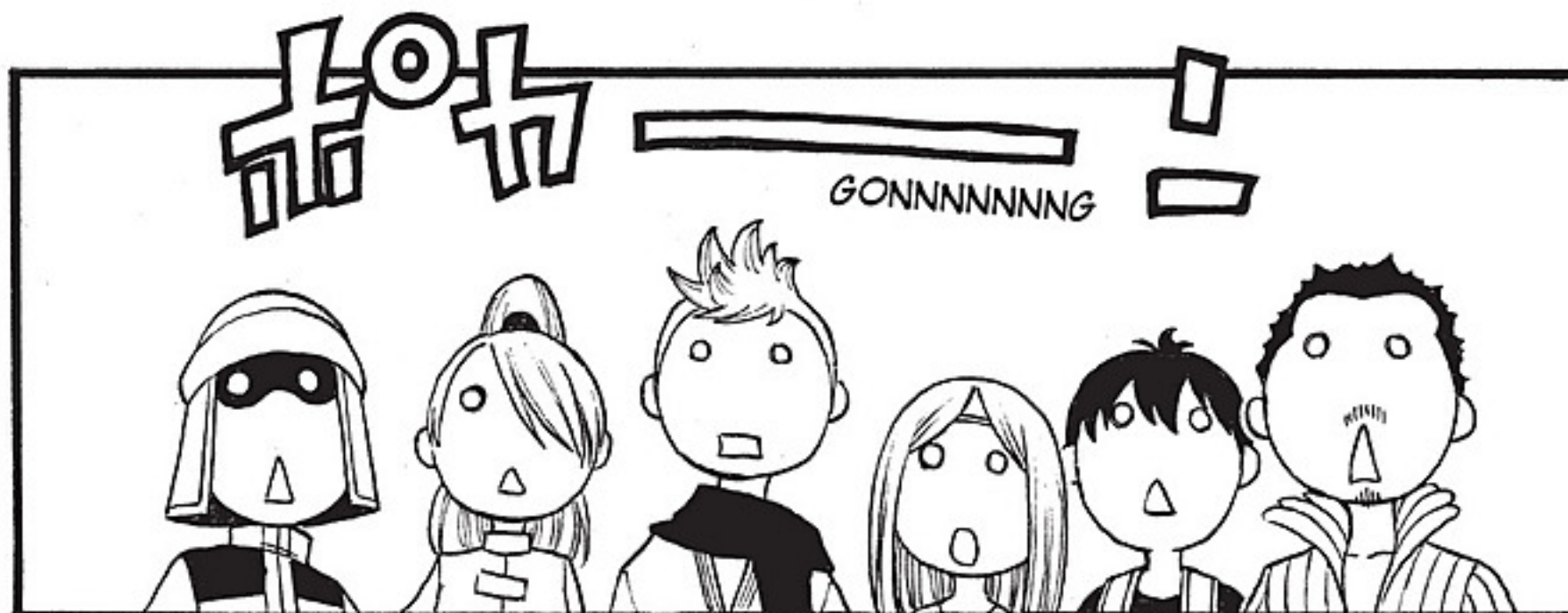
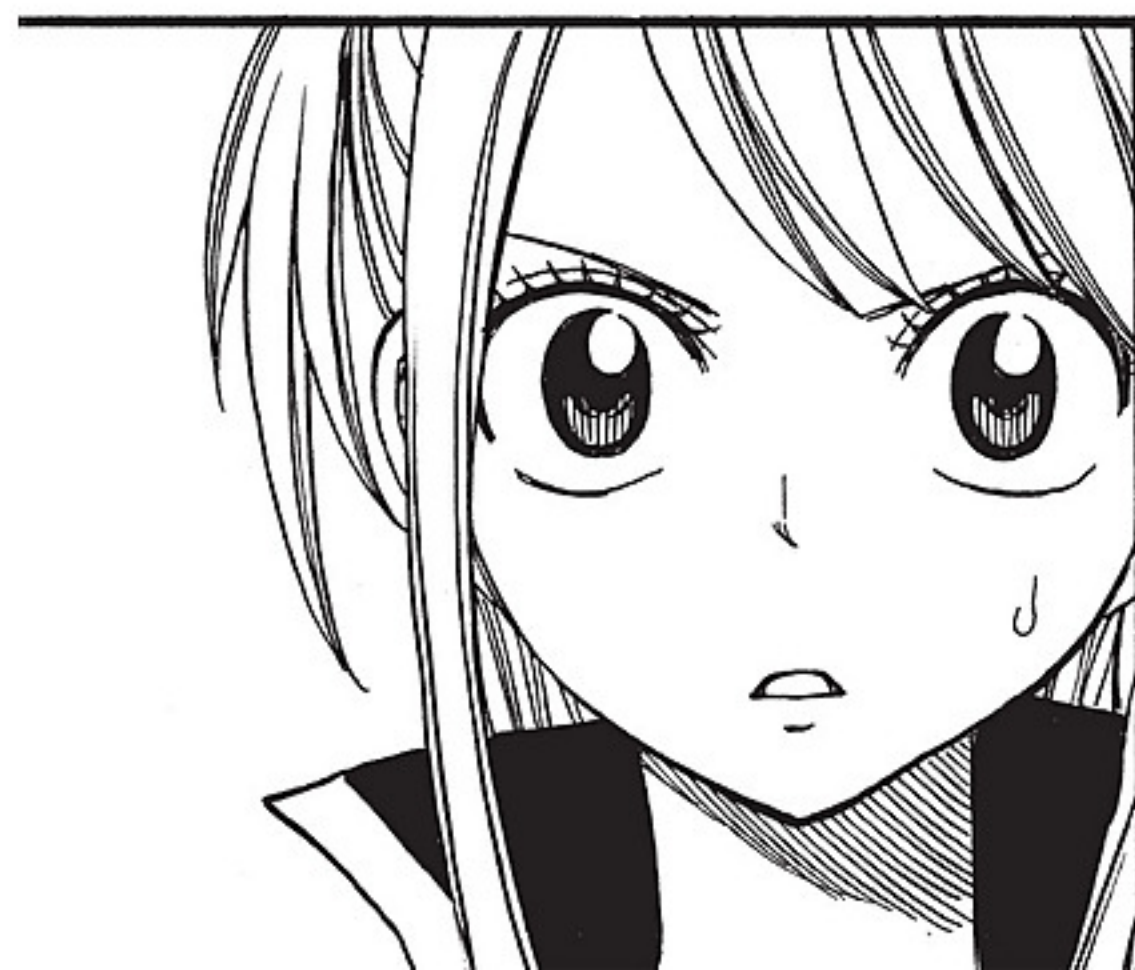
But then he sent in  
the Royal Magical  
Warfare Divisions,  
and they crushed  
all the wizards  
who fought, one  
by one.

At first,  
everybody  
resisted.



As a result...  
he put out  
a decree  
abolishing  
all wizard  
guilds.





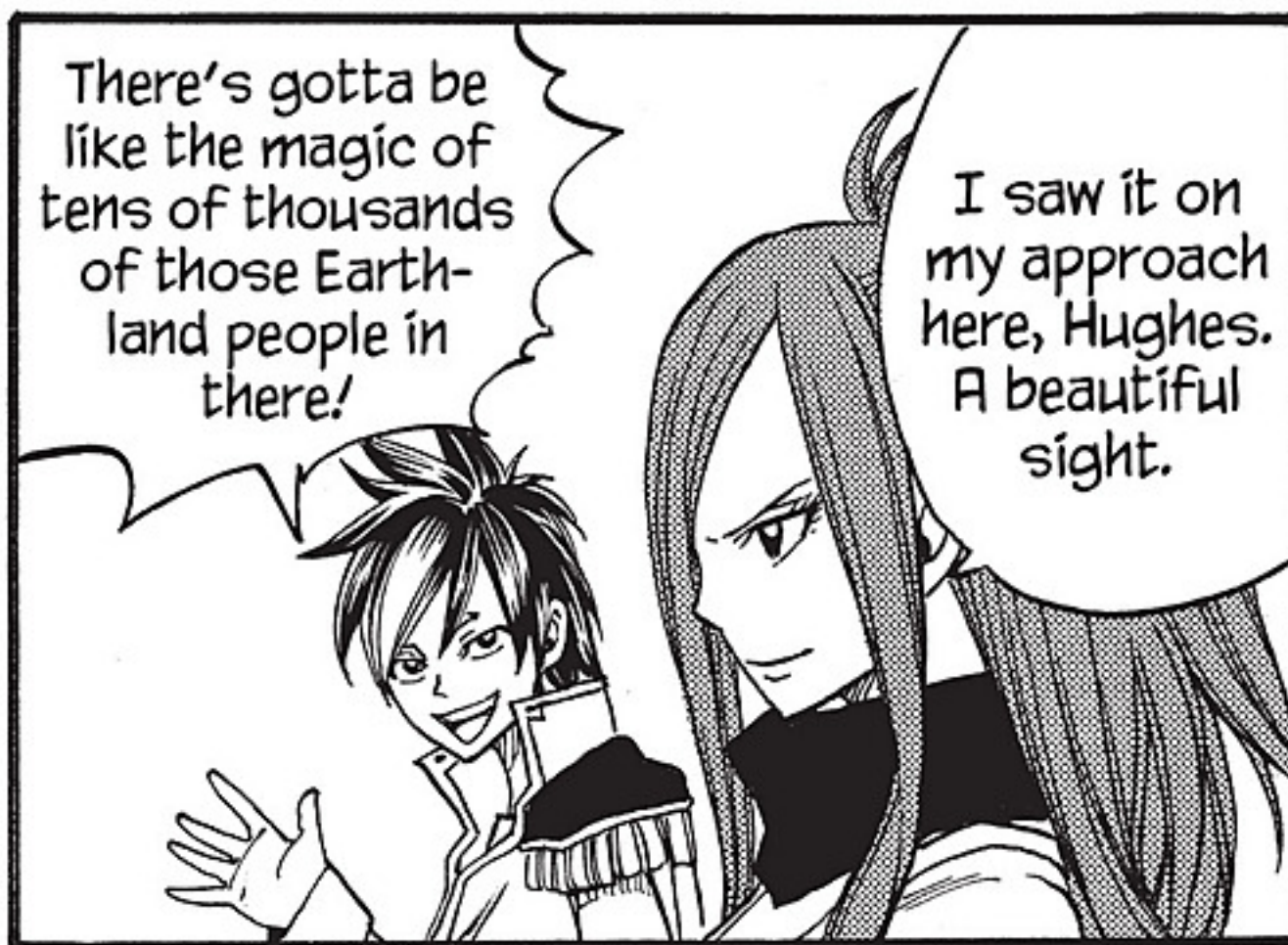




The  
Joint  
Chiefs  
of  
Staff  
...

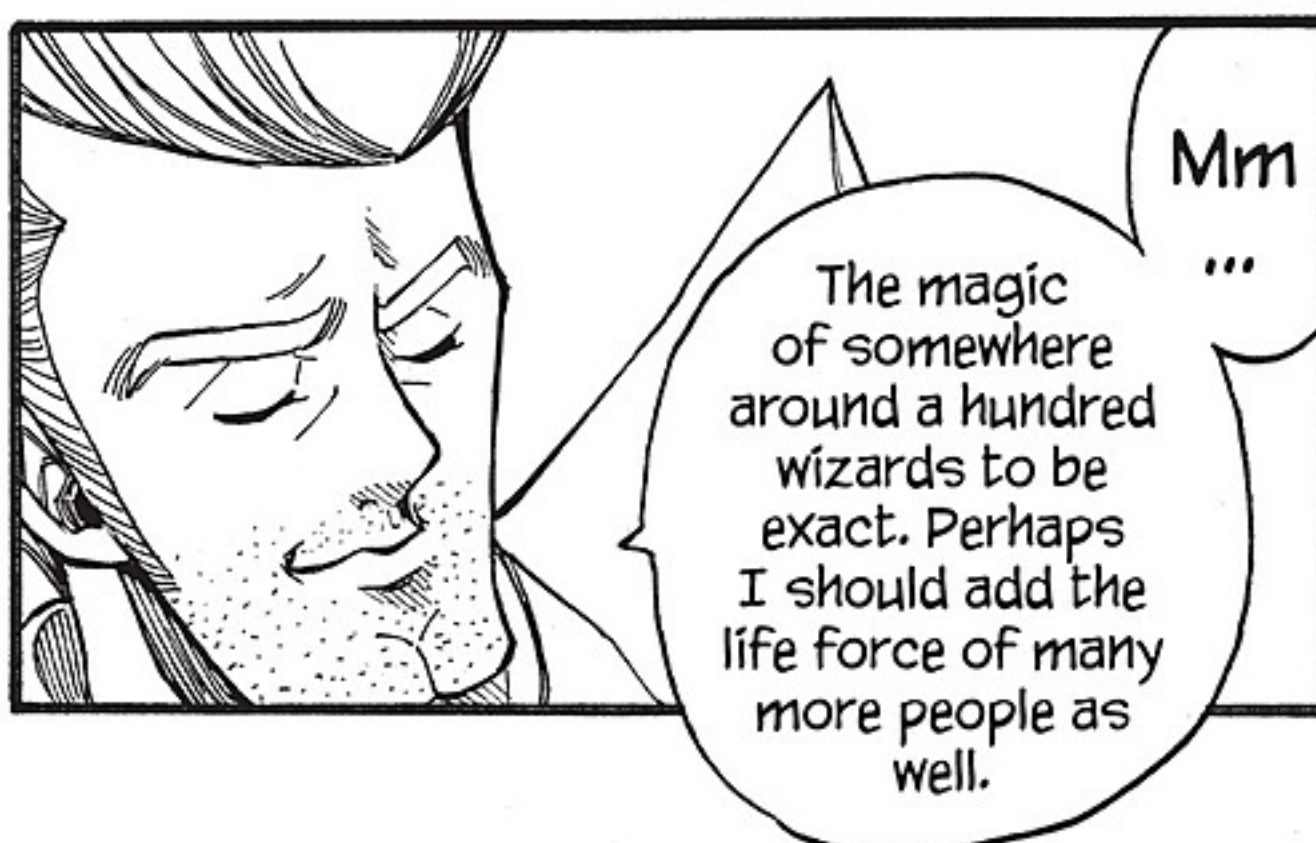
Now  
that's  
amazing  
!!

Did  
you see that,  
Erza? That  
enormous  
lacrima out  
there?



There's gotta be  
like the magic of  
tens of thousands  
of those Earth-  
land people in  
there!

I saw it on  
my approach  
here, Hughes.  
A beautiful  
sight.



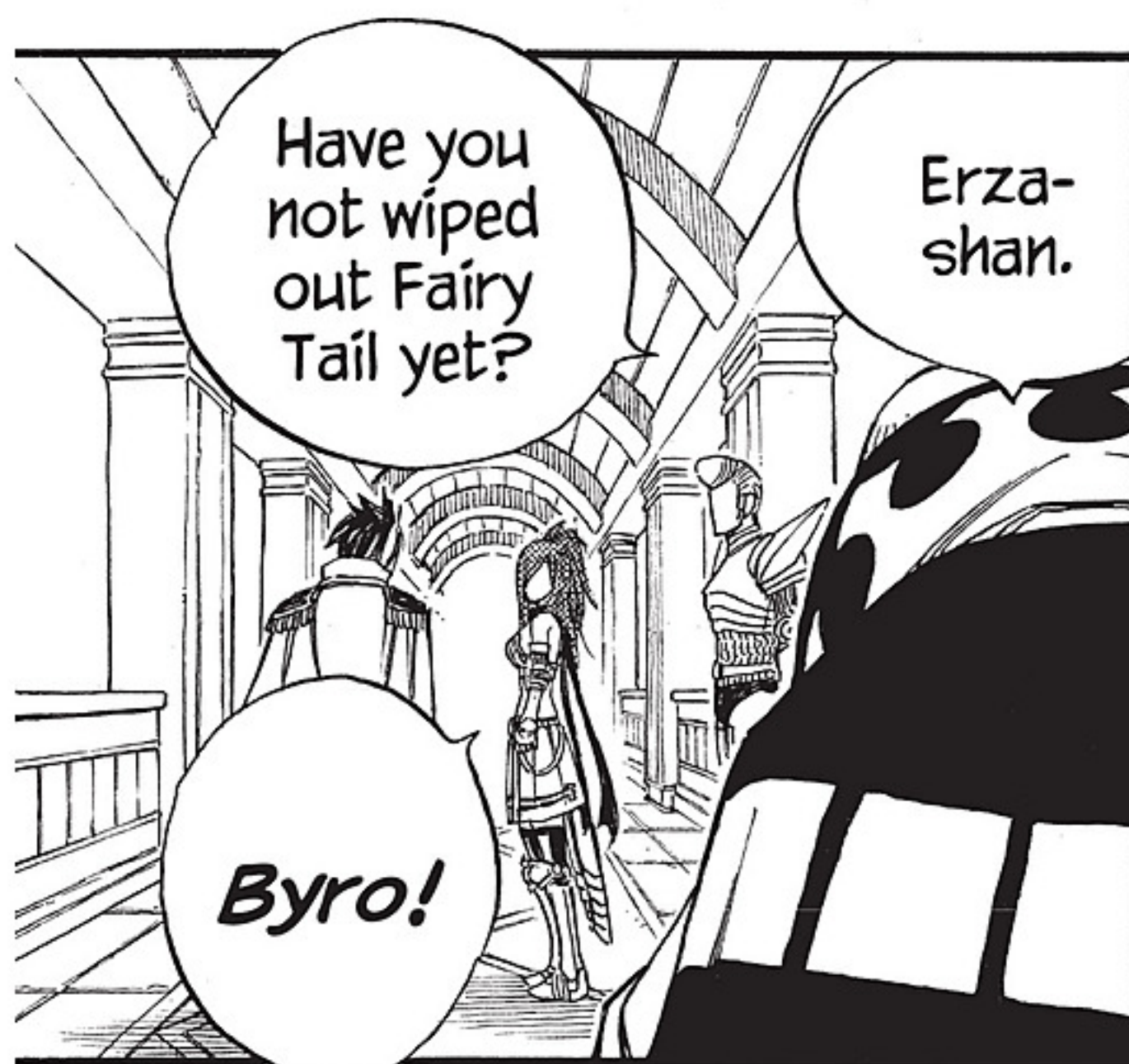
Mm  
...

The magic  
of somewhere  
around a hundred  
wizards to be  
exact. Perhaps  
I should add the  
life force of many  
more people as  
well.

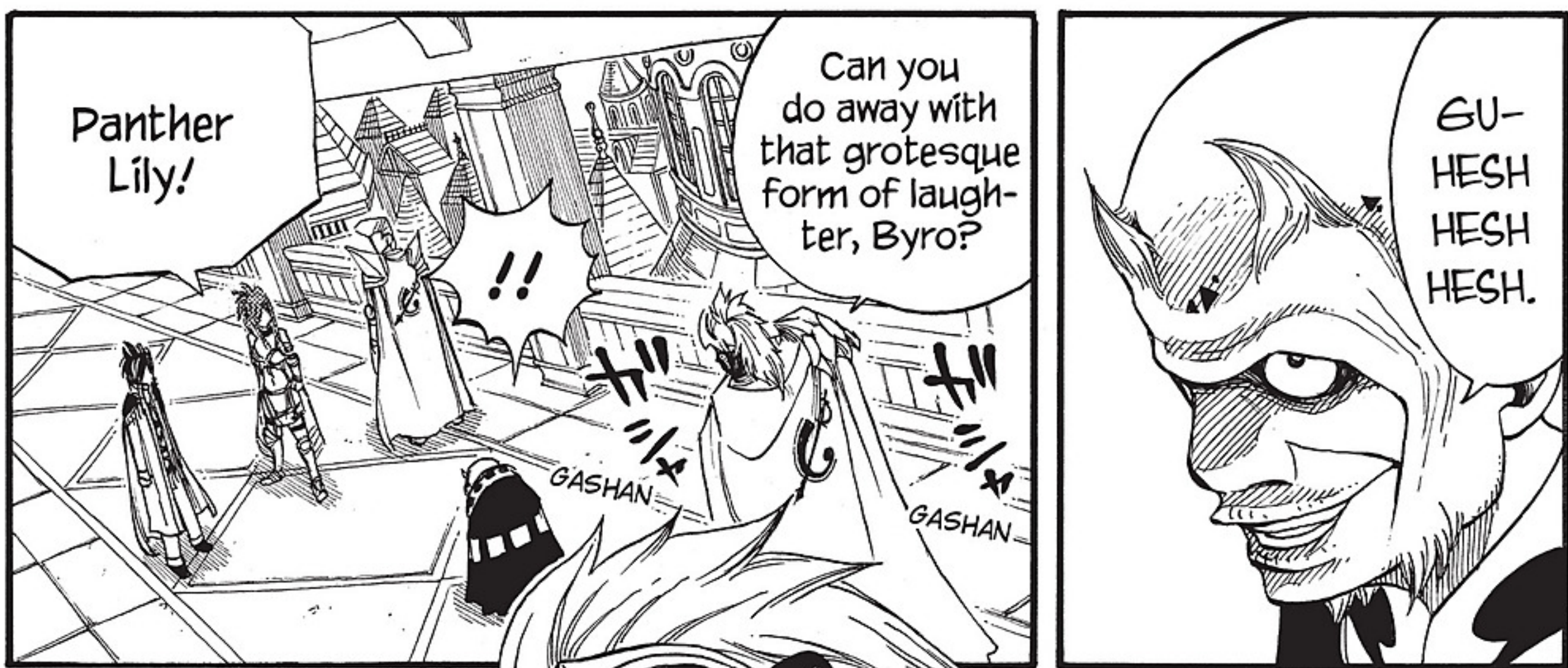
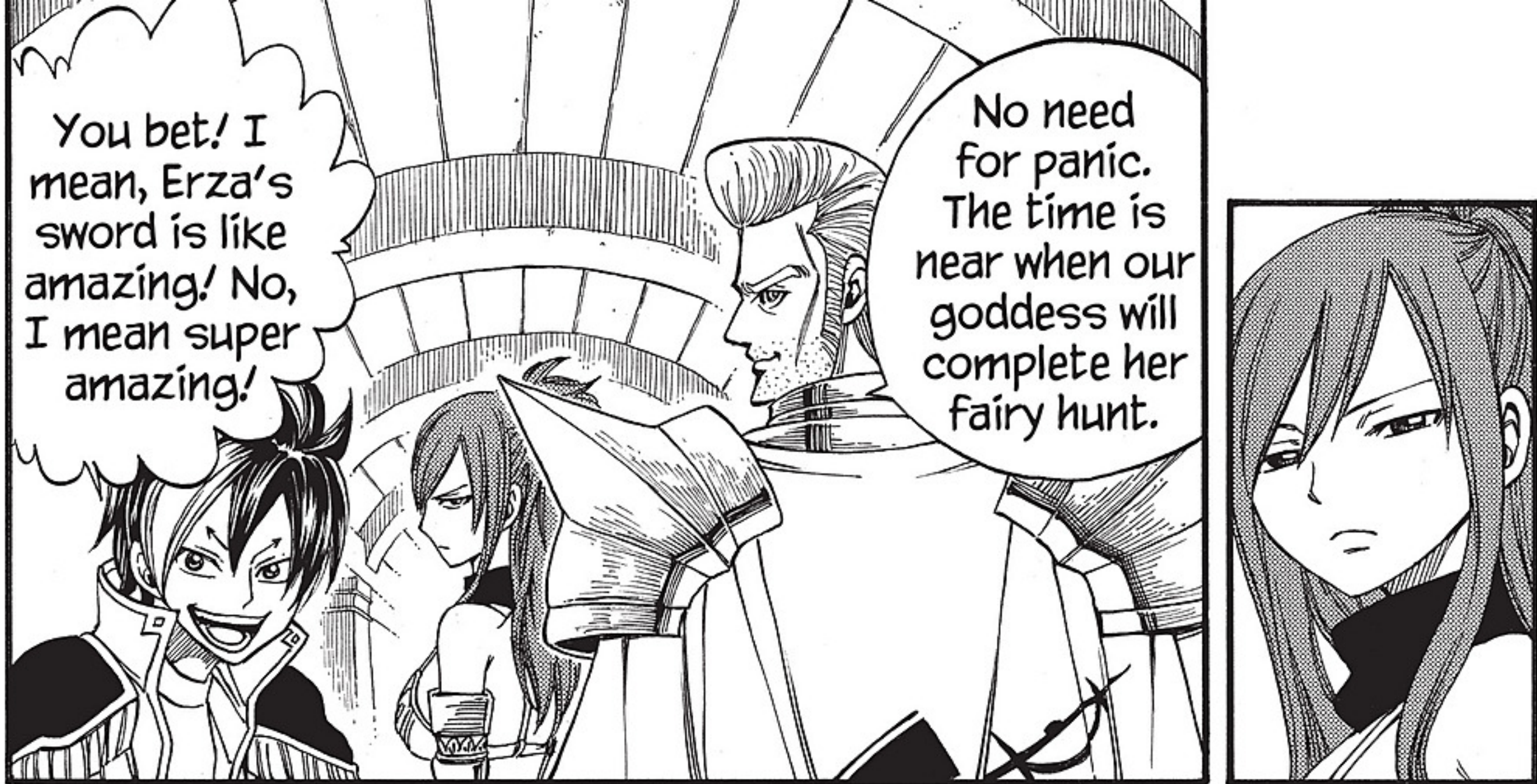


The  
Capital  
of  
Edolas  
...









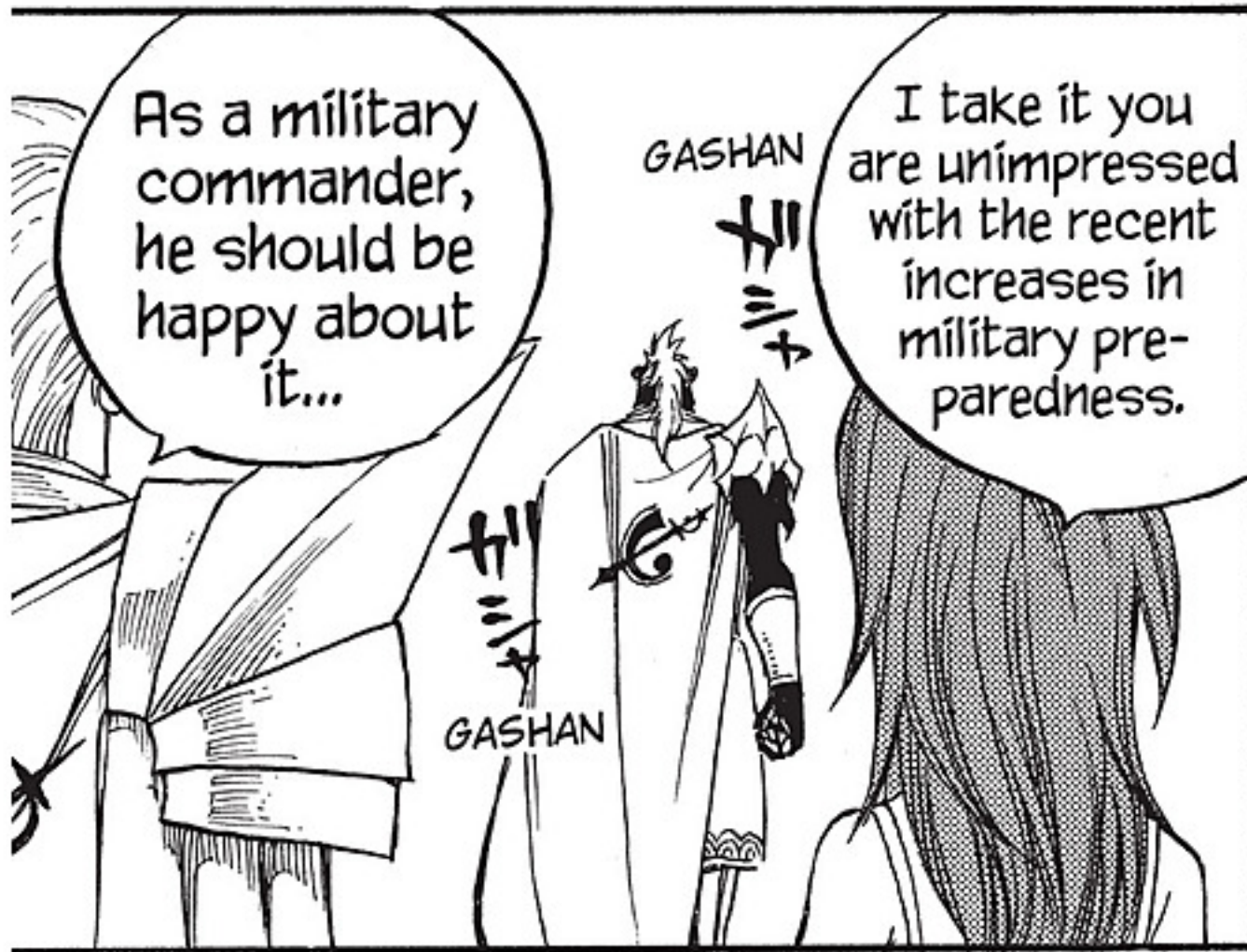




Just shut your mouth for a bit.

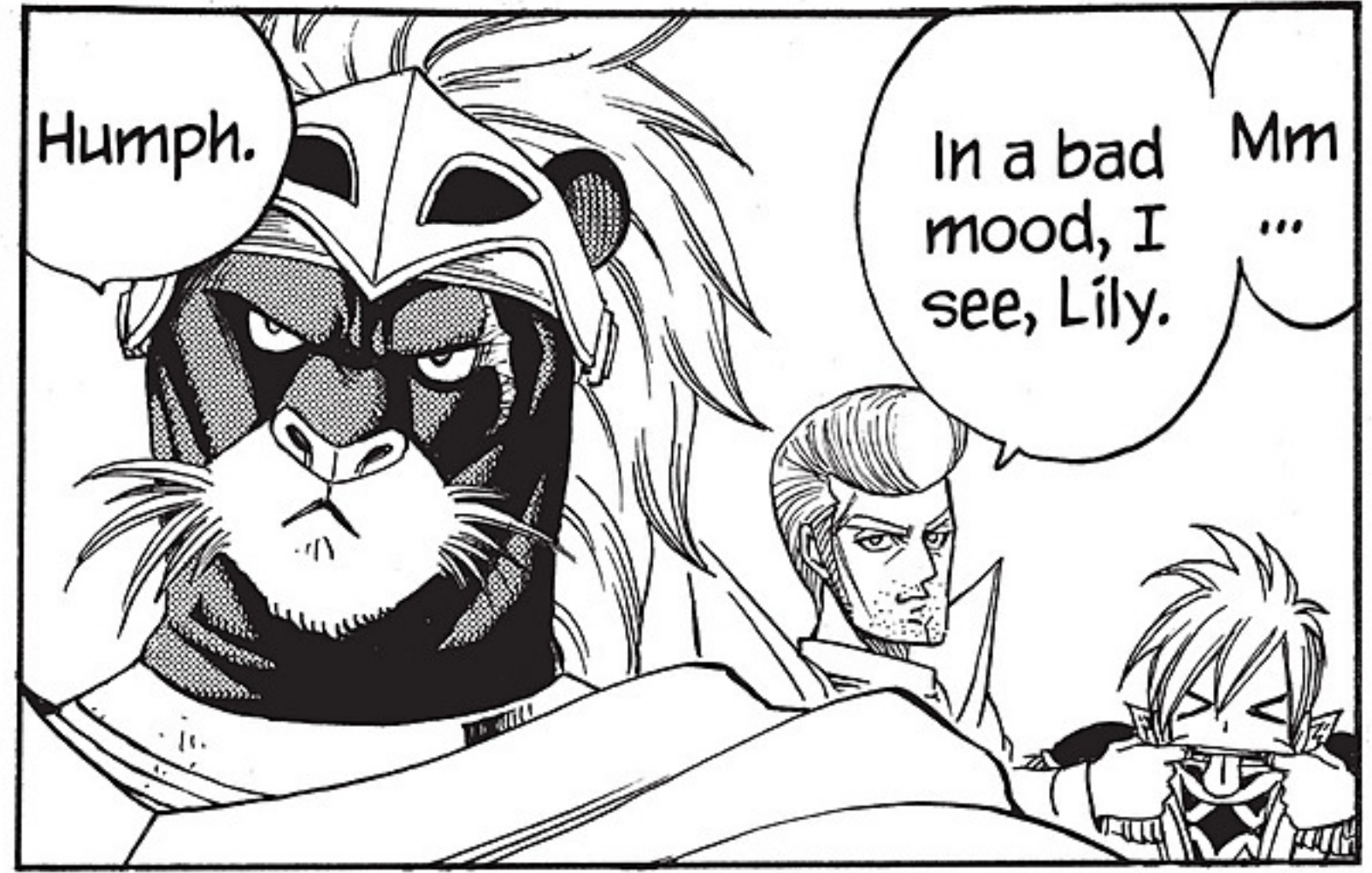


What? Me too?! Listen, jerk! I'll bet you think *you're* the most absolute amazing...



As a military commander, he should be happy about it...

I take it you are unimpressed with the recent increases in military preparedness.



Humph.

In a bad mood, I see, Lily.

Mm ...



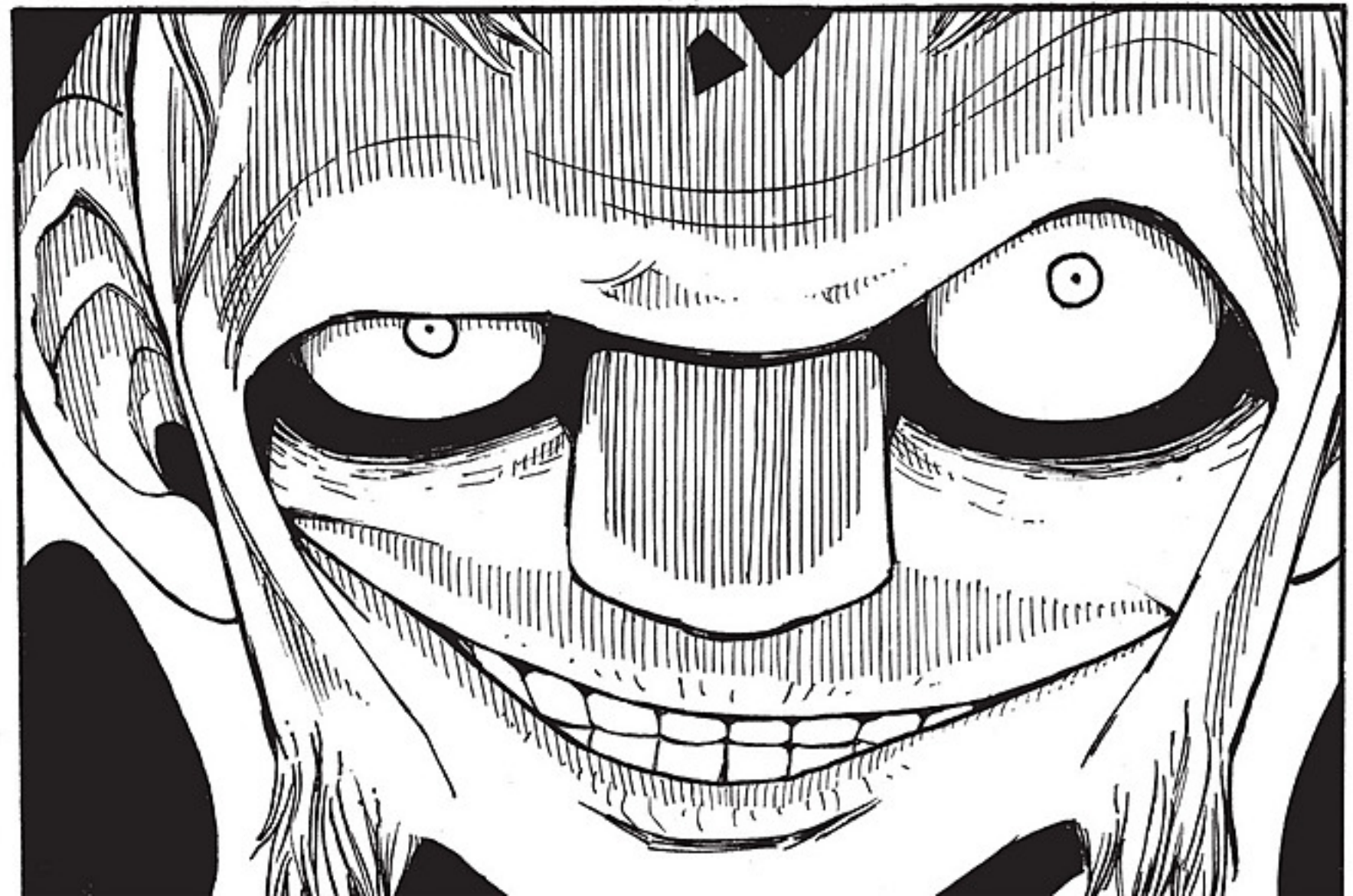
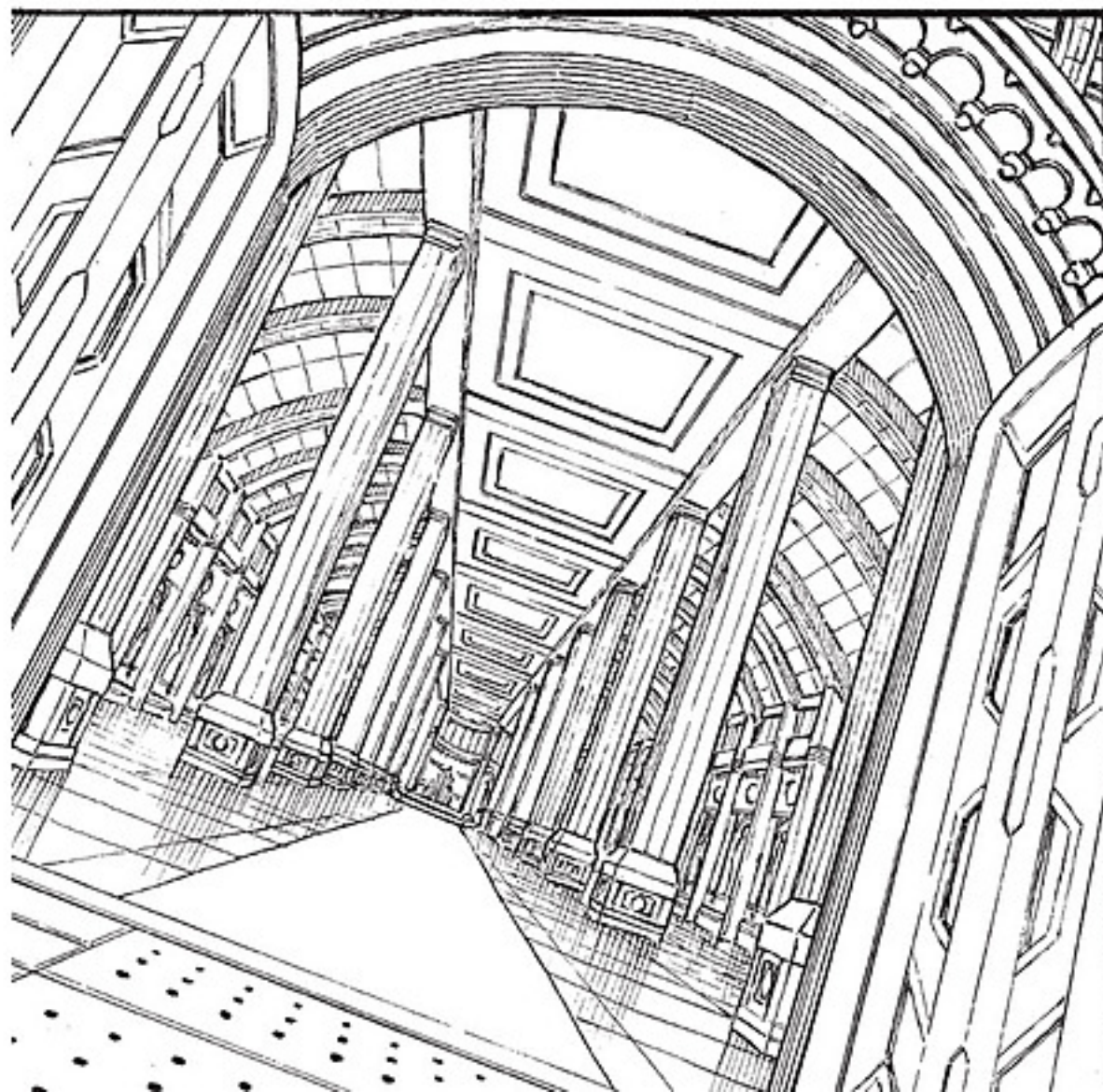
I don't get this! What's with all the complicated talk? It's so amazingly hard to follow!!

If so, we alone should be plenty to oppose that.

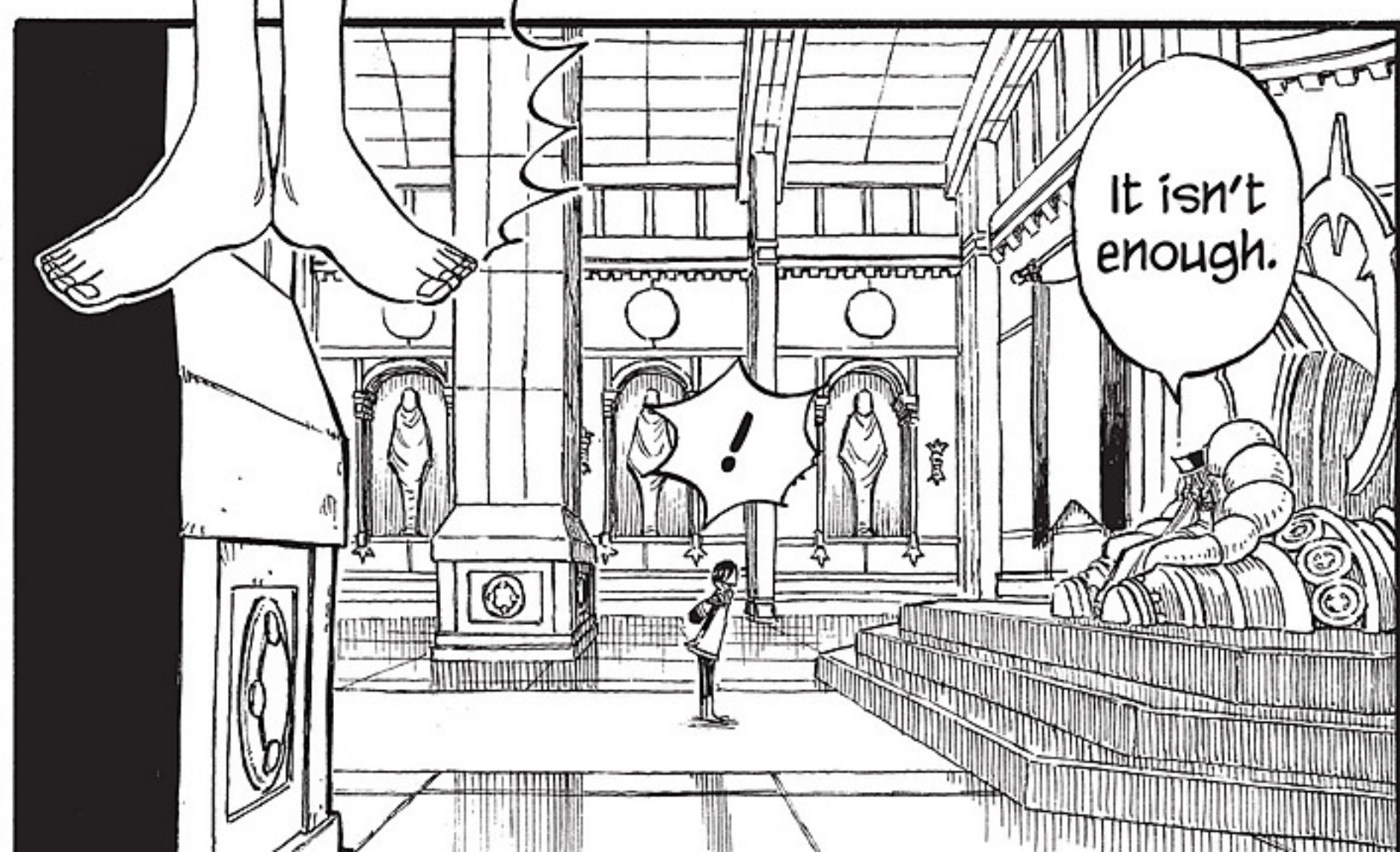
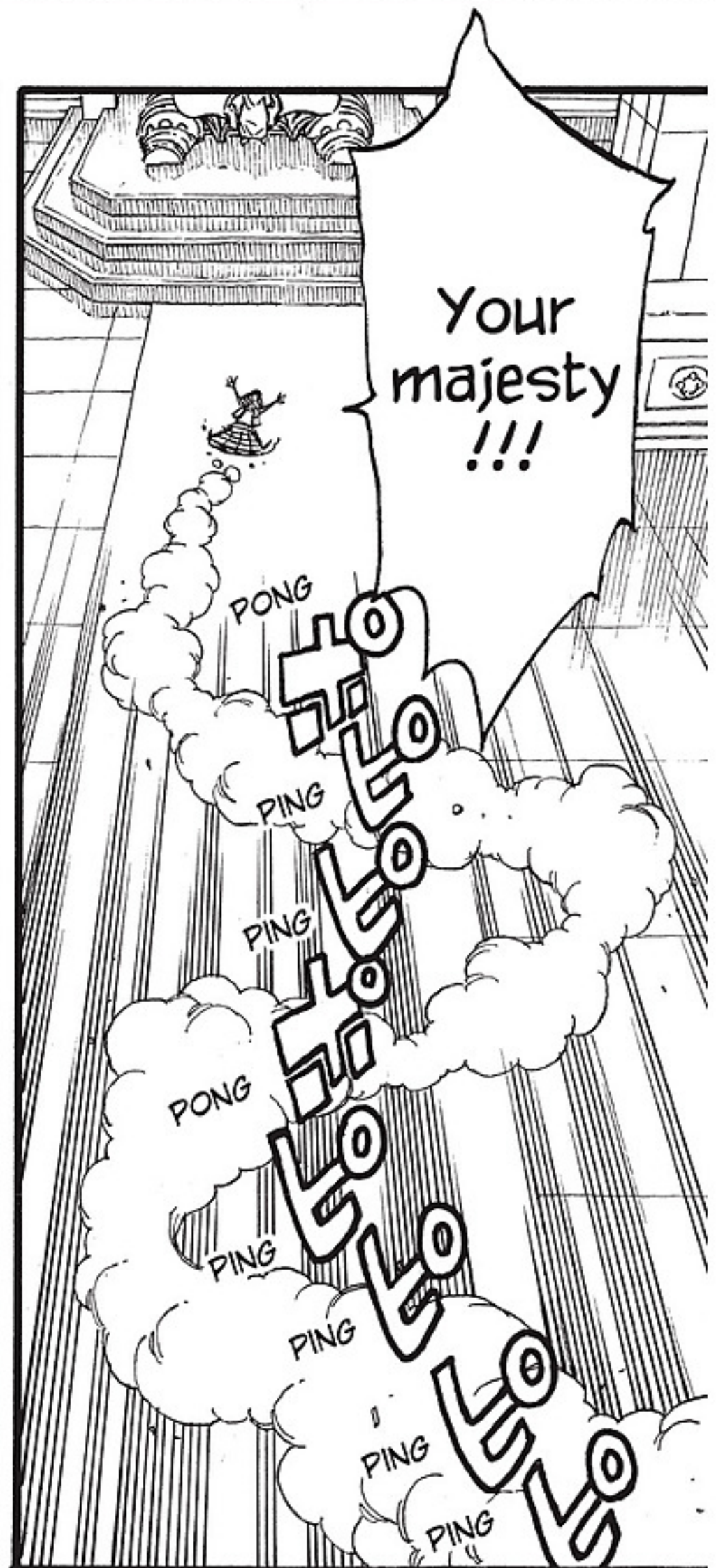
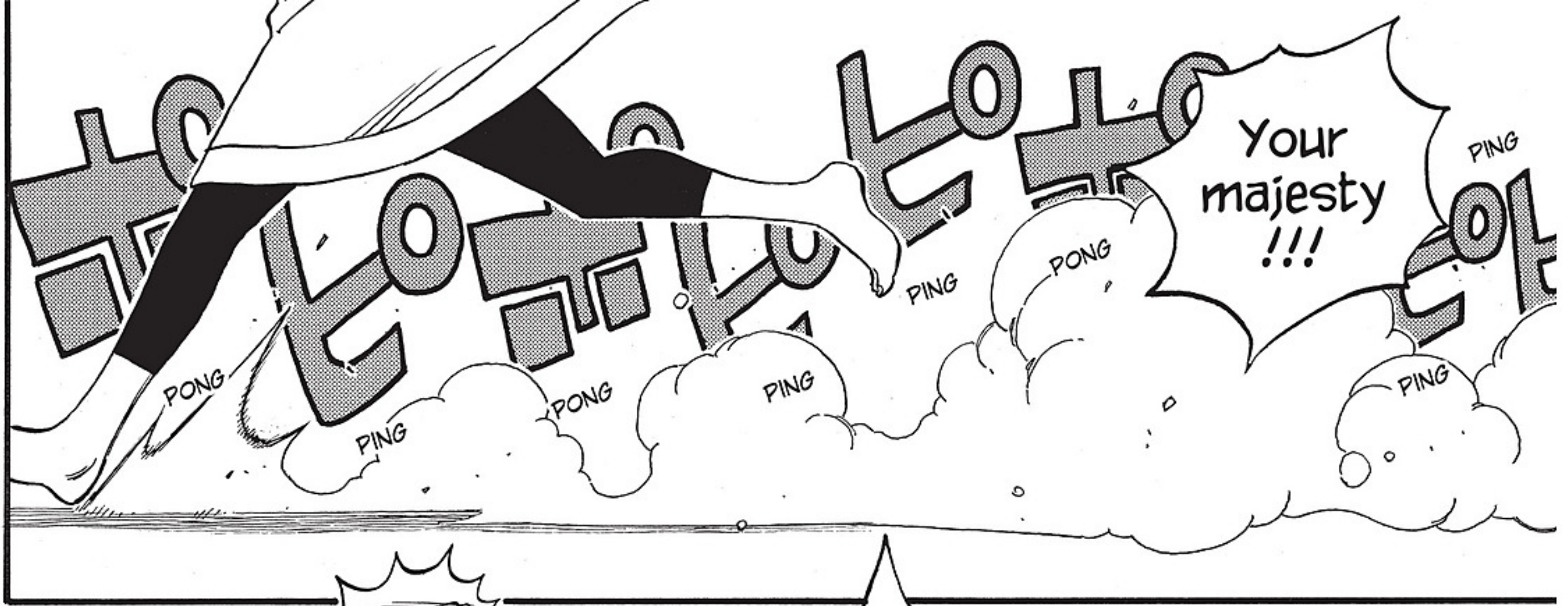
It's probably because there's still a little bit of resistance left around, right?

Mmm ...

Still, our country has pretty much united the entire world. The truth is that I also have little idea of why our military preparedness is being upgraded.





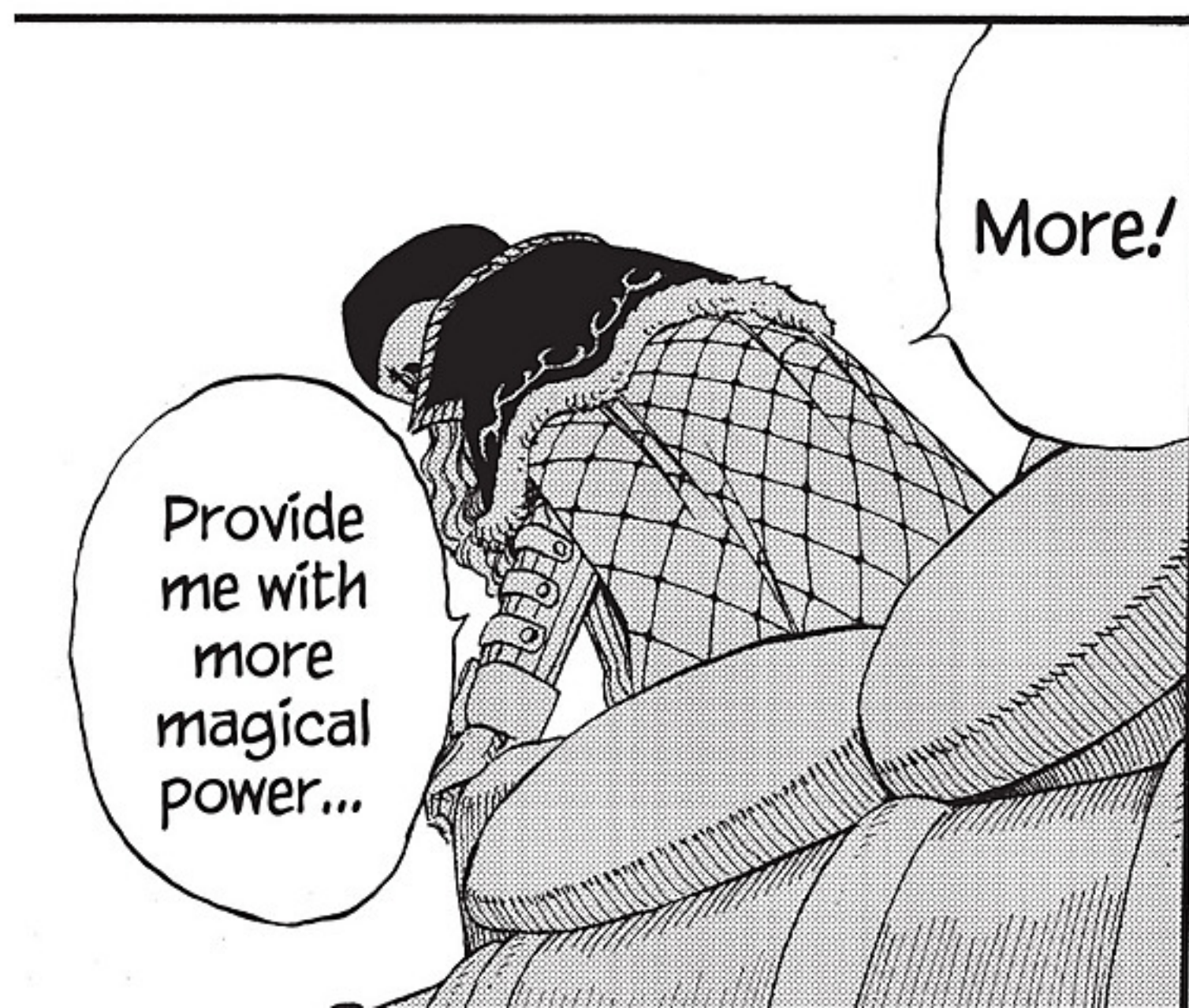
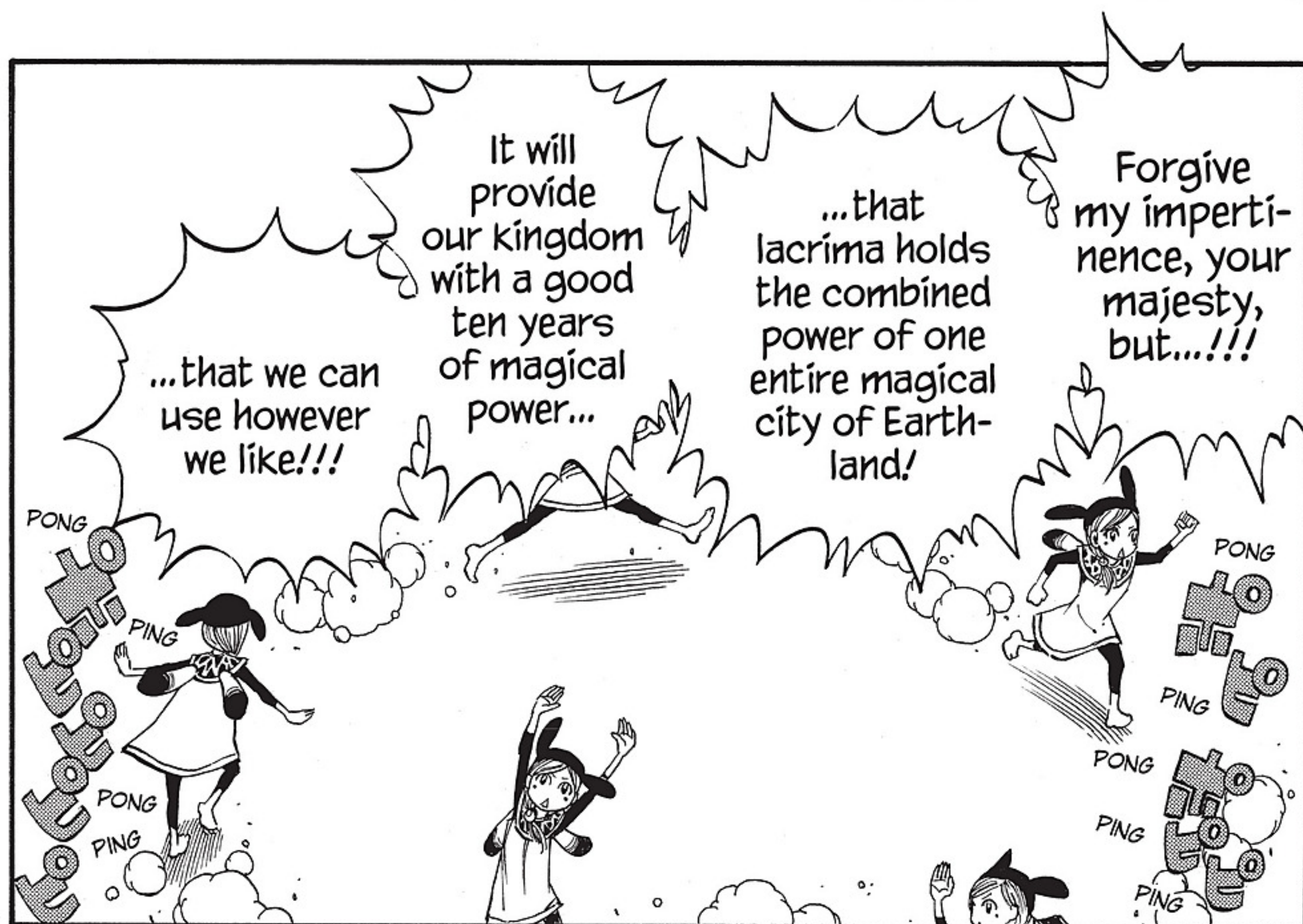
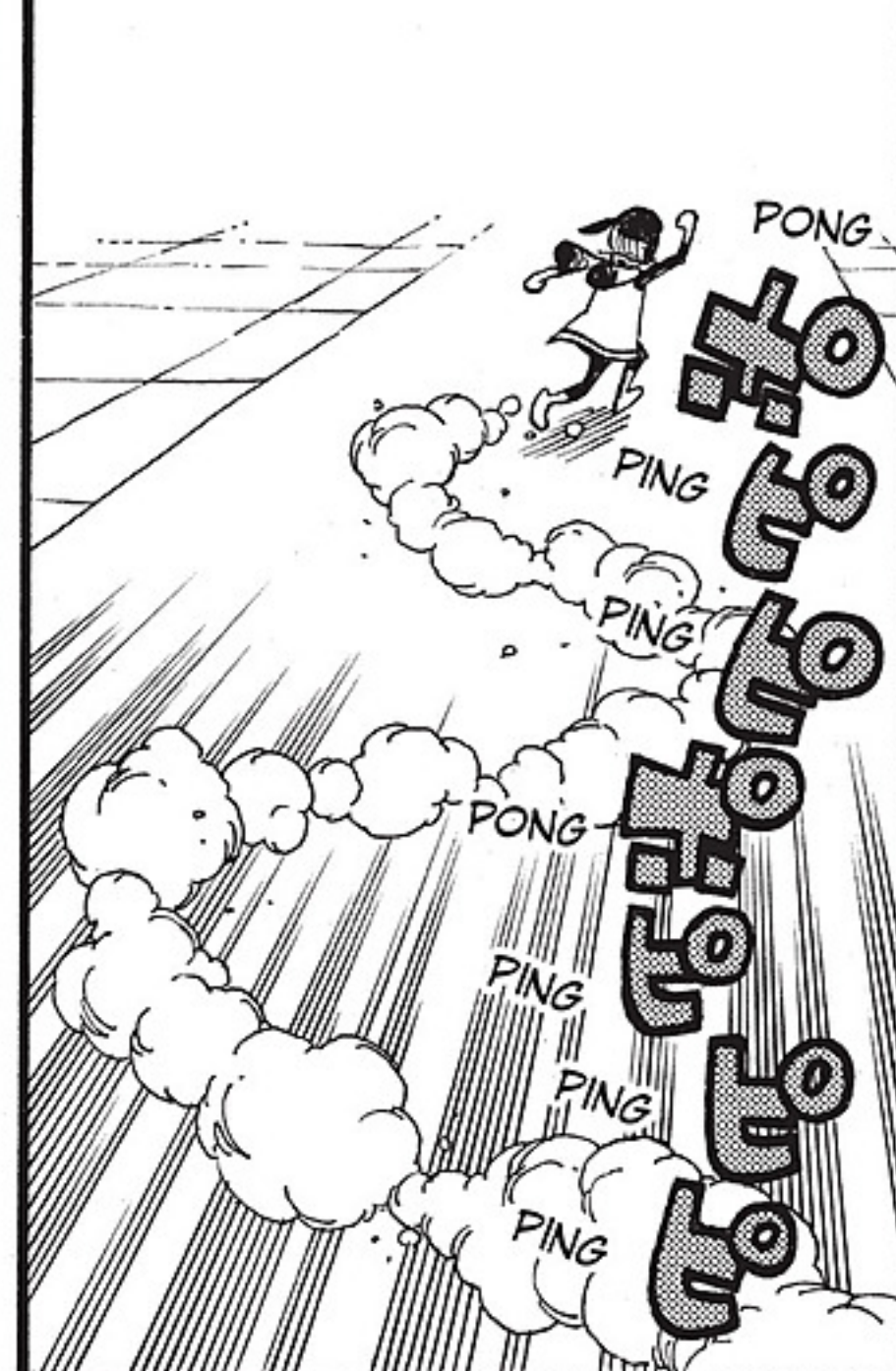
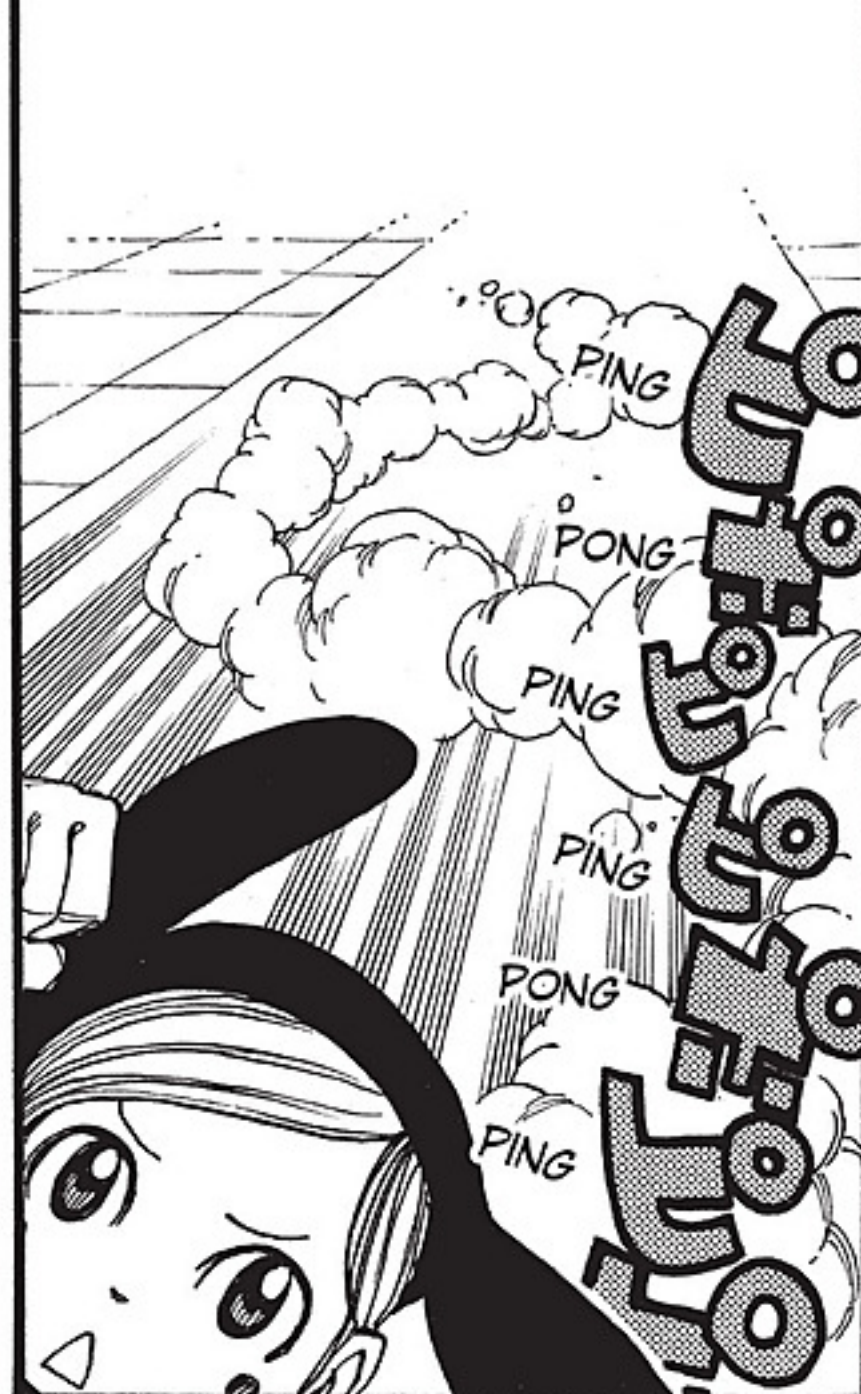






I said that it isn't enough.

Your majesty... Did... you just say ...?



Provide me with more magical power...

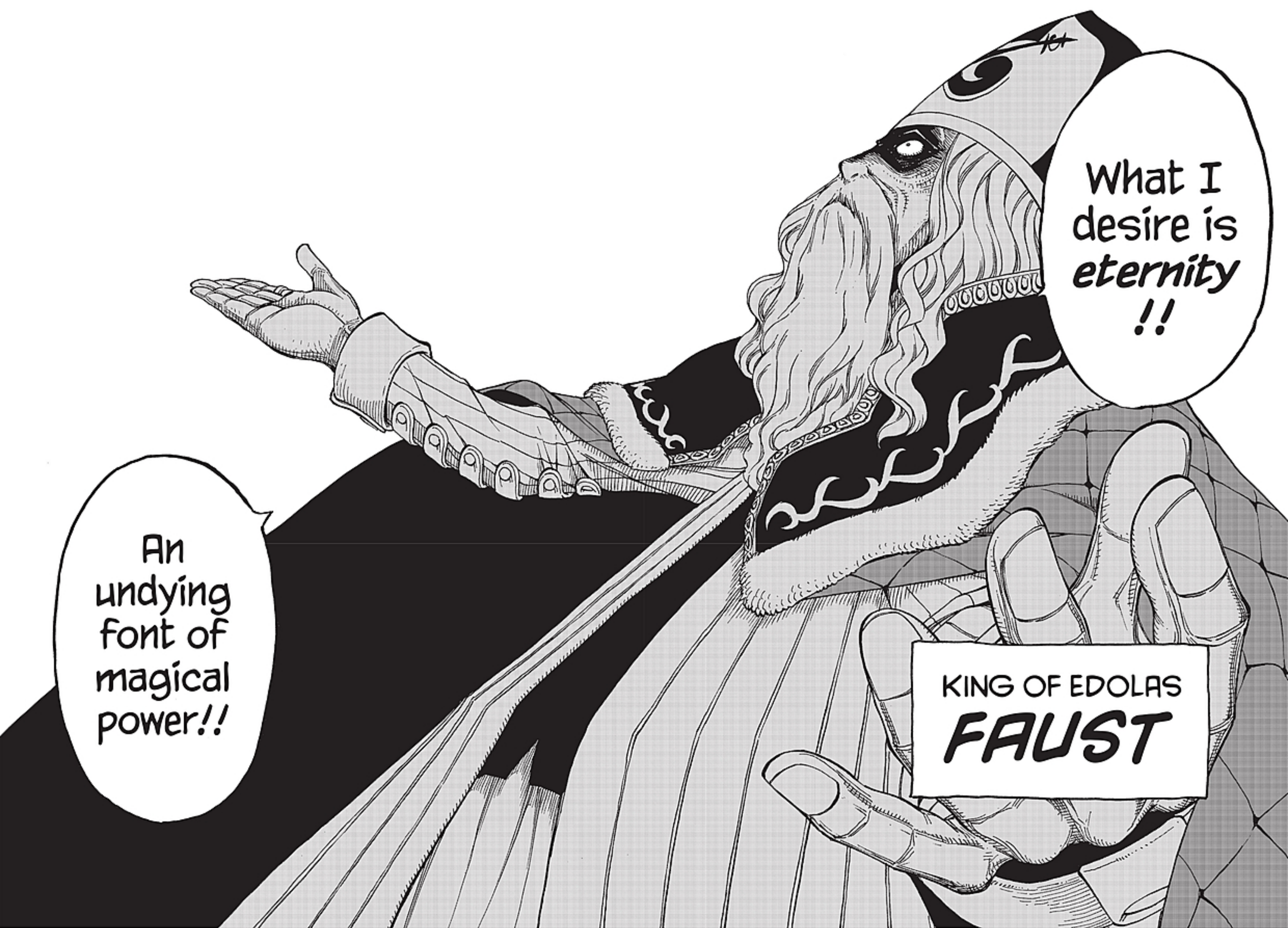
More!



The great Kingdom of Edolas ...

...must never be limited!



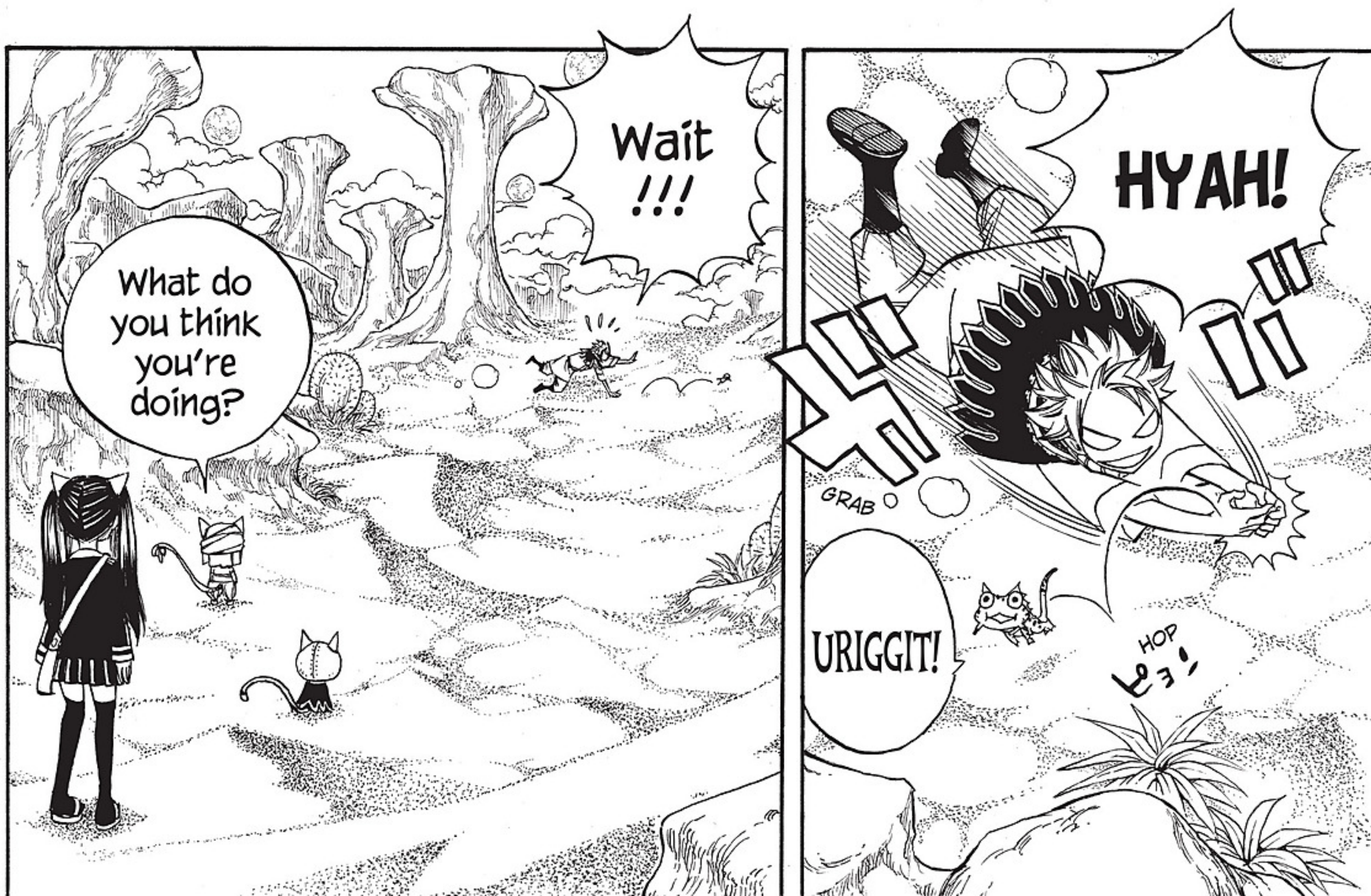
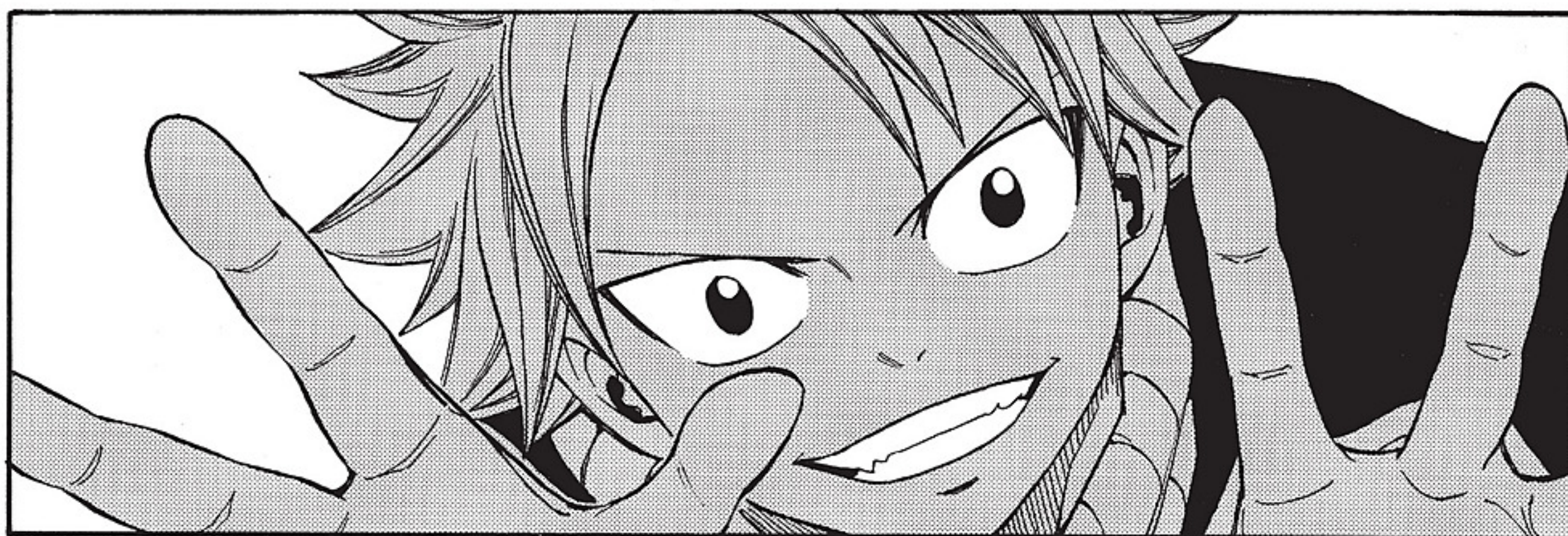
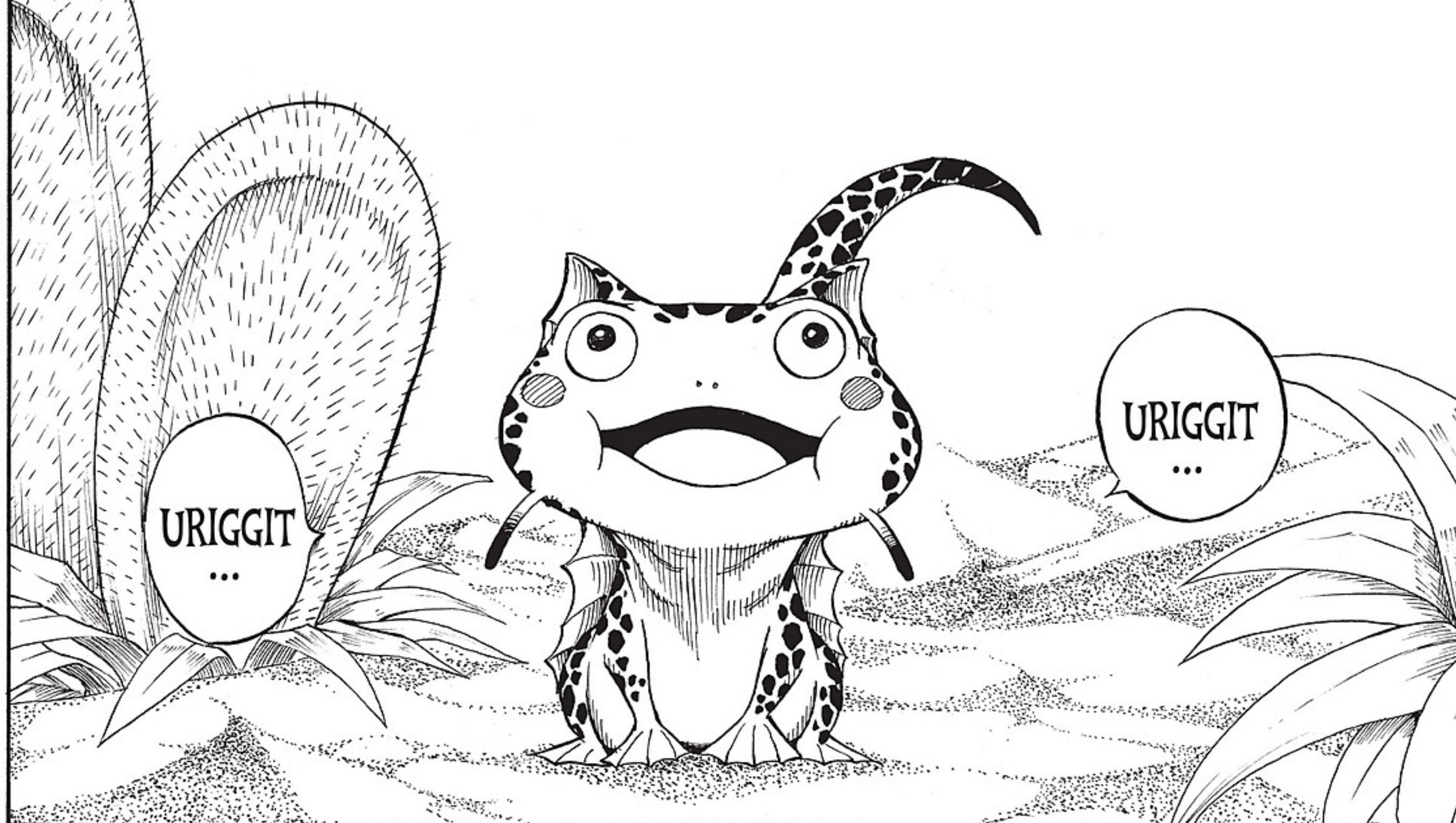


What I  
desire is  
*eternity*  
!!

An  
undying  
font of  
magical  
power!!

KING OF EDOLAS  
**FAUST**

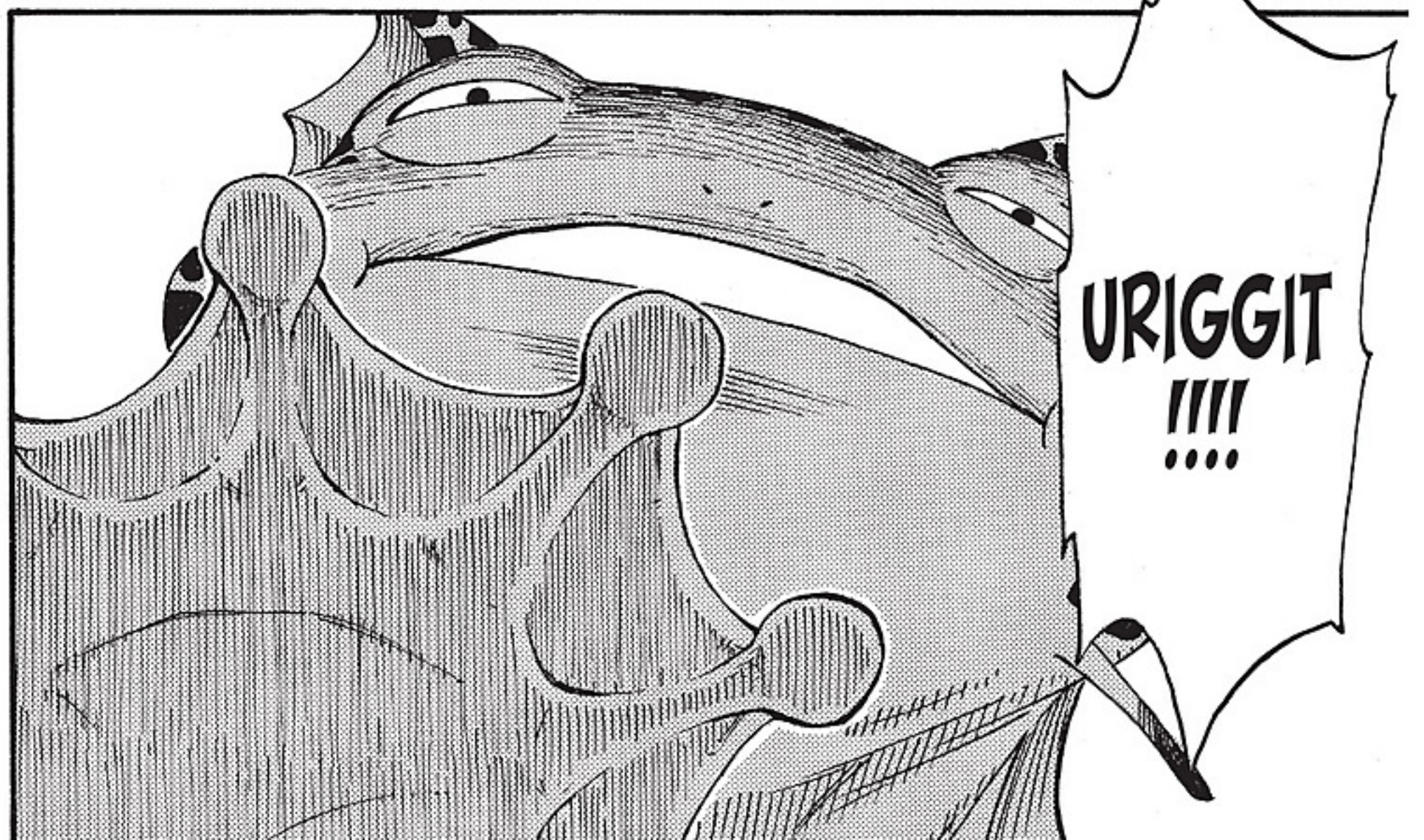








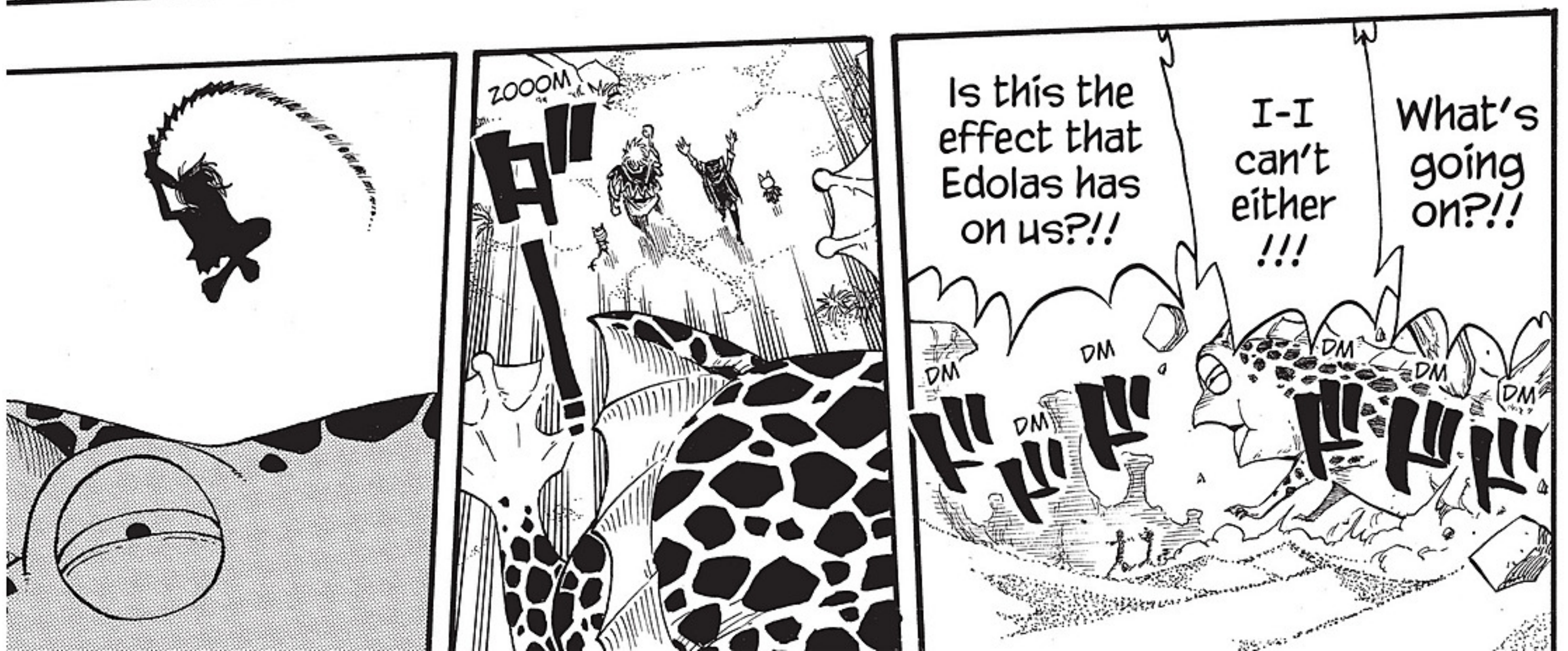
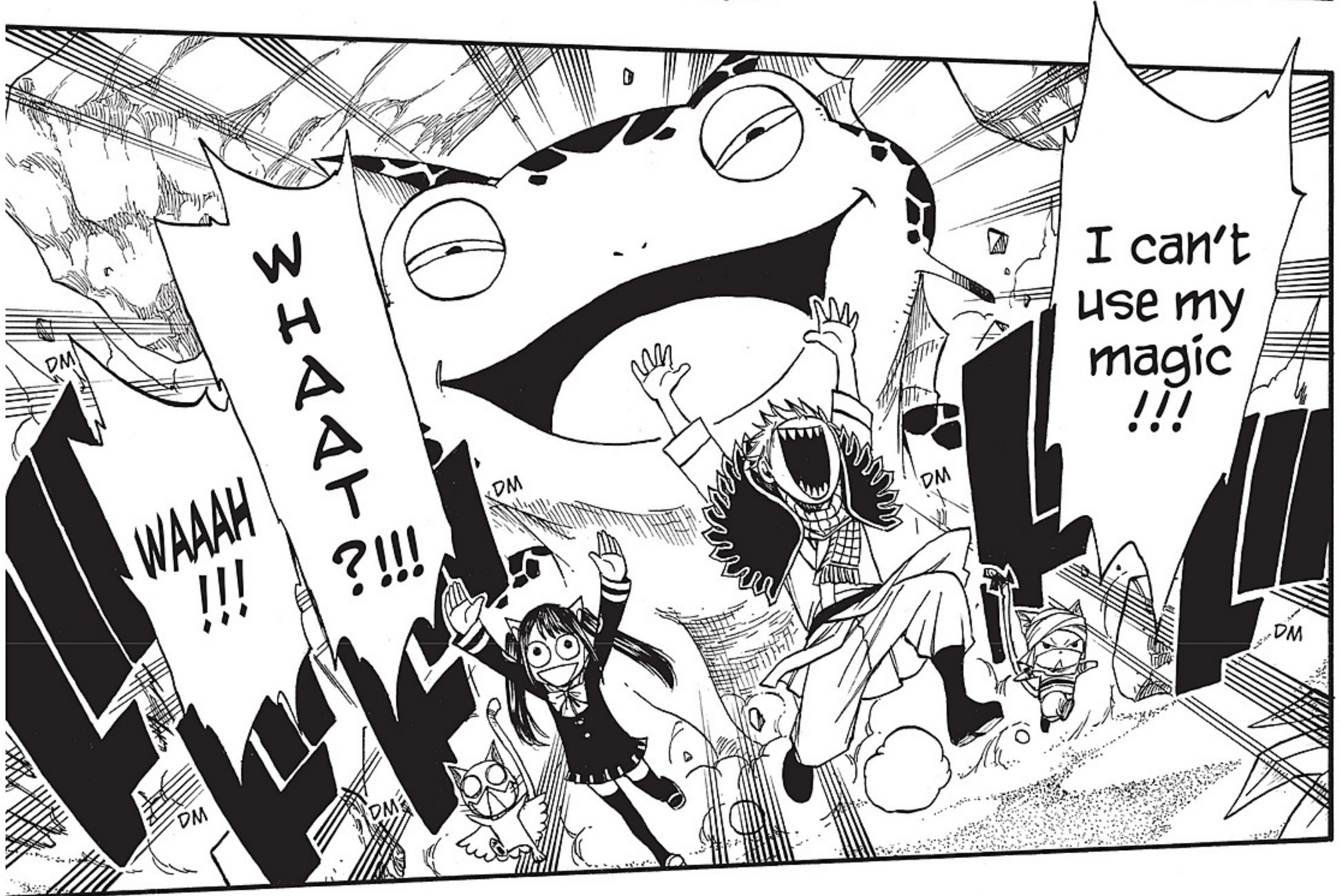




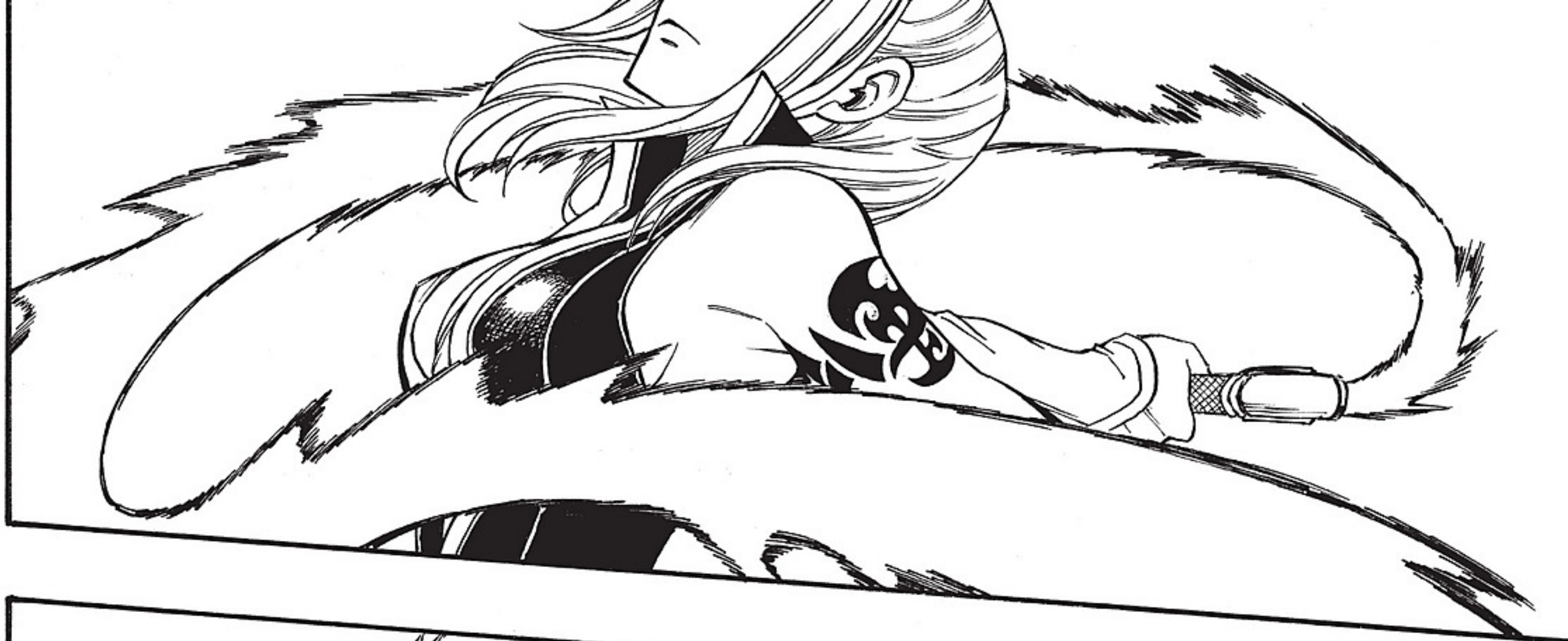




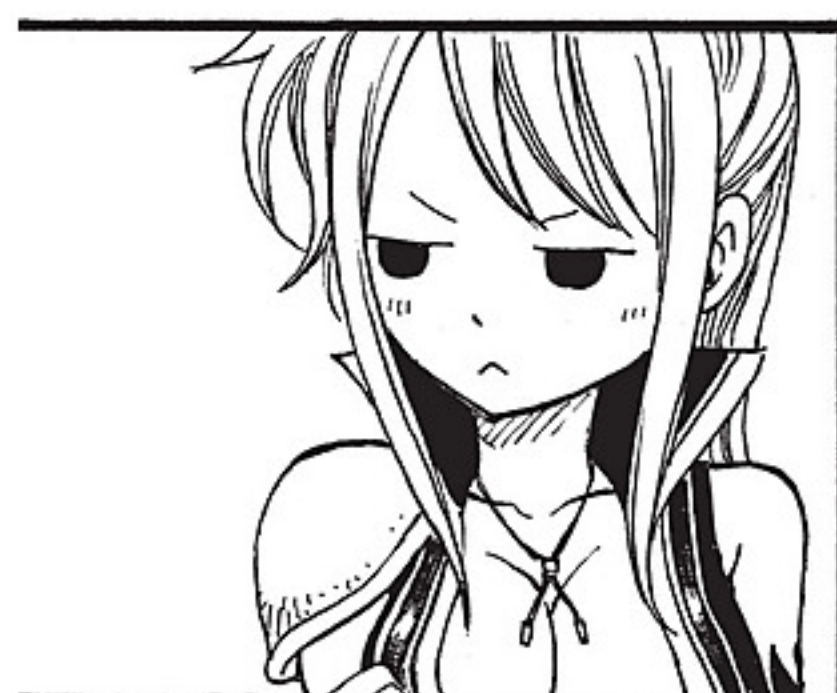
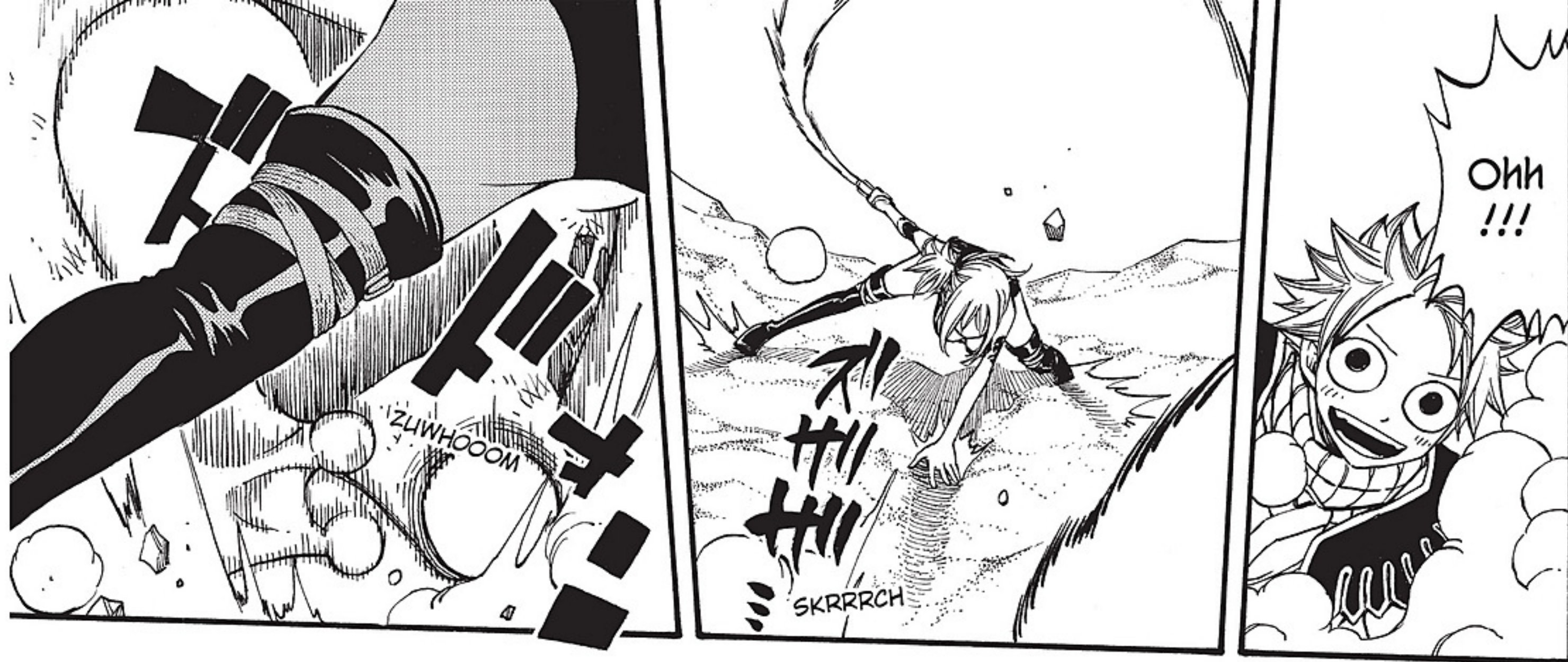
\*Fire Dragon's...



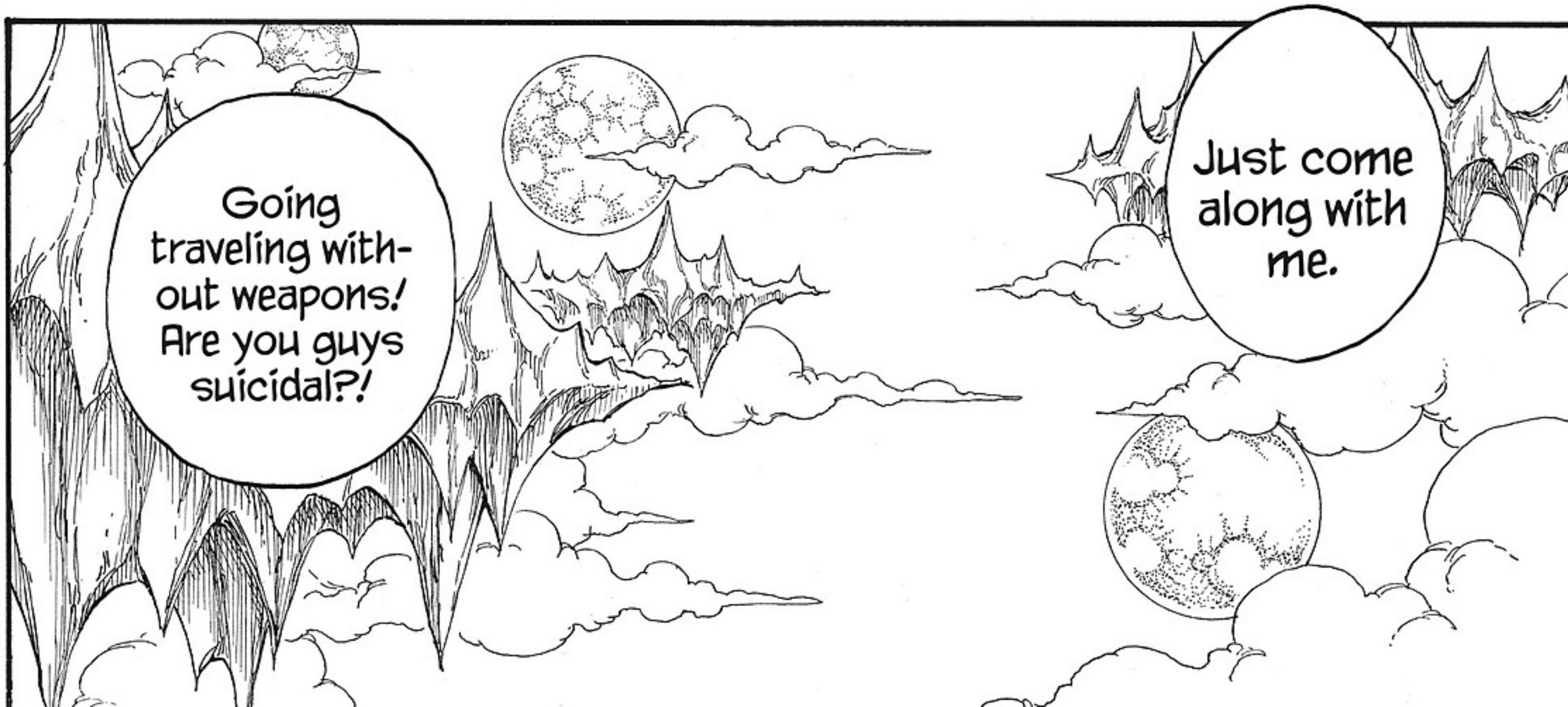
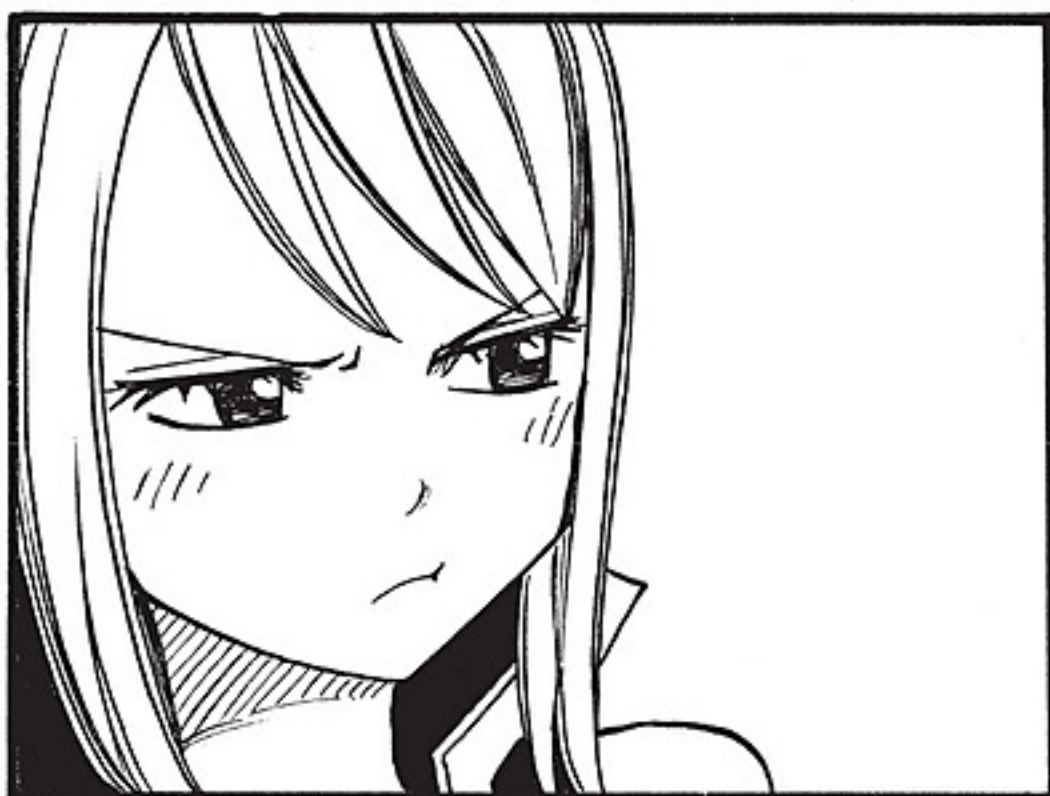














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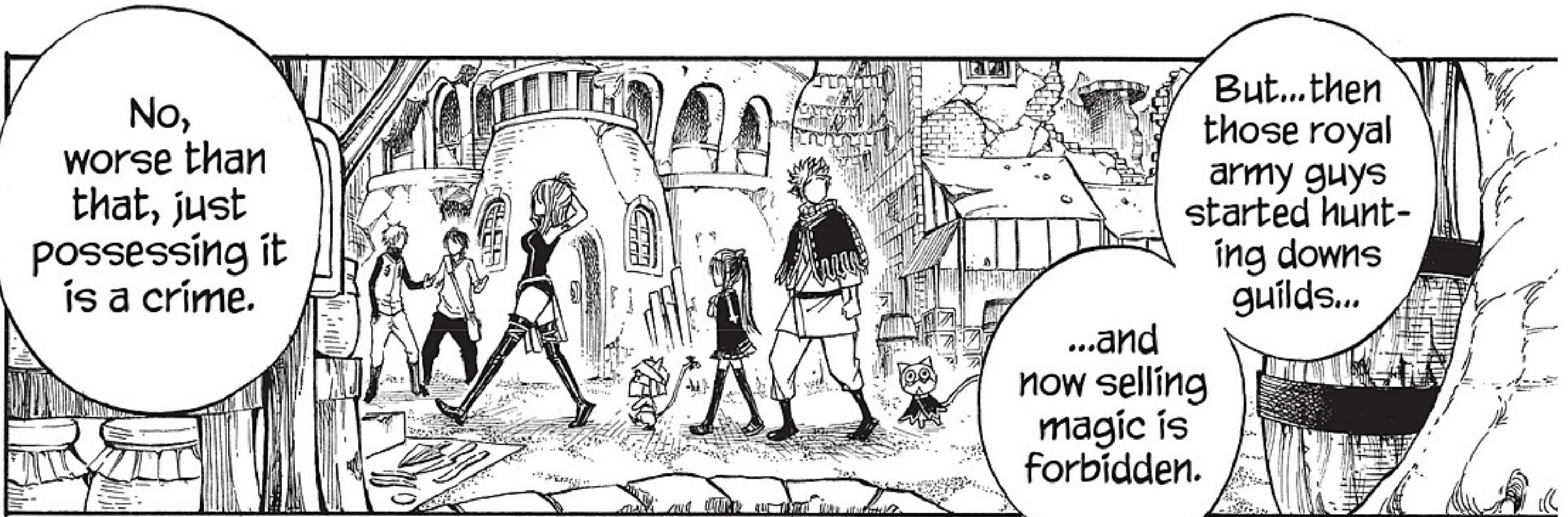
**Chapter 172: The Key to Hope**





The town of Louen ...

Only a little while ago you could buy and sell magic like anything else.



No, worse than that, just possessing it is a crime.

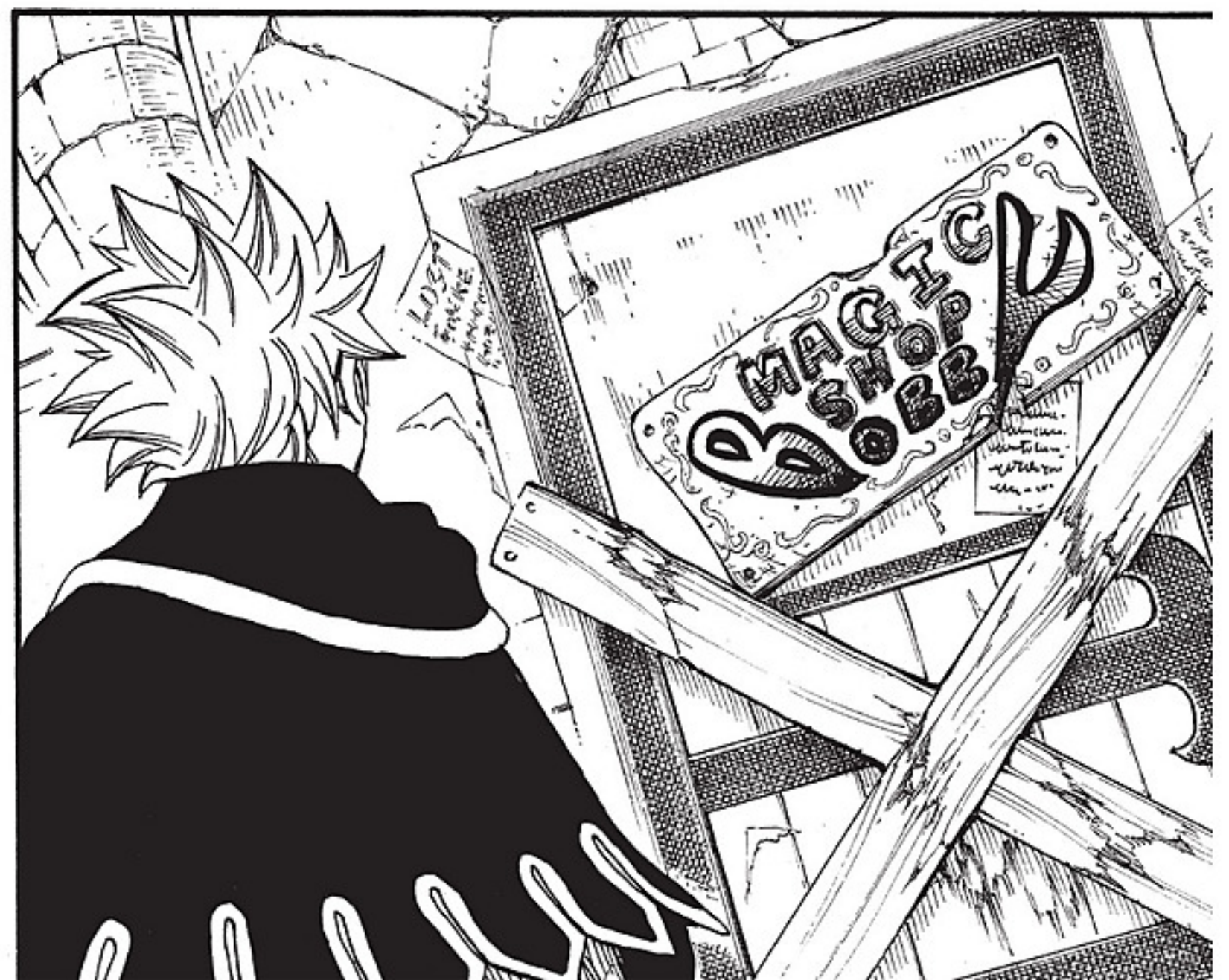
But...then those royal army guys started hunting down guilds...

...and now selling magic is forbidden.

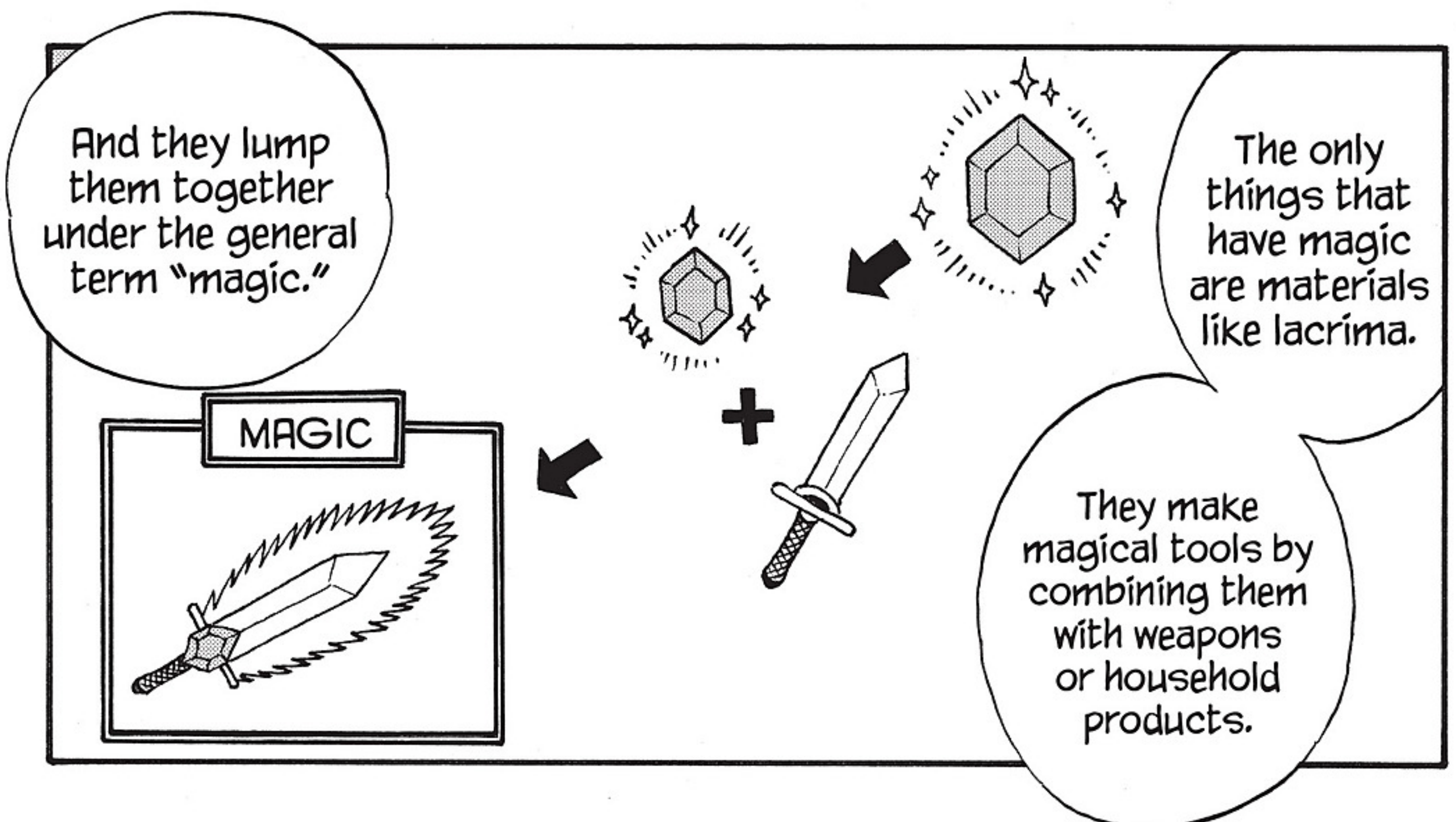


What if you've always been able to use it?

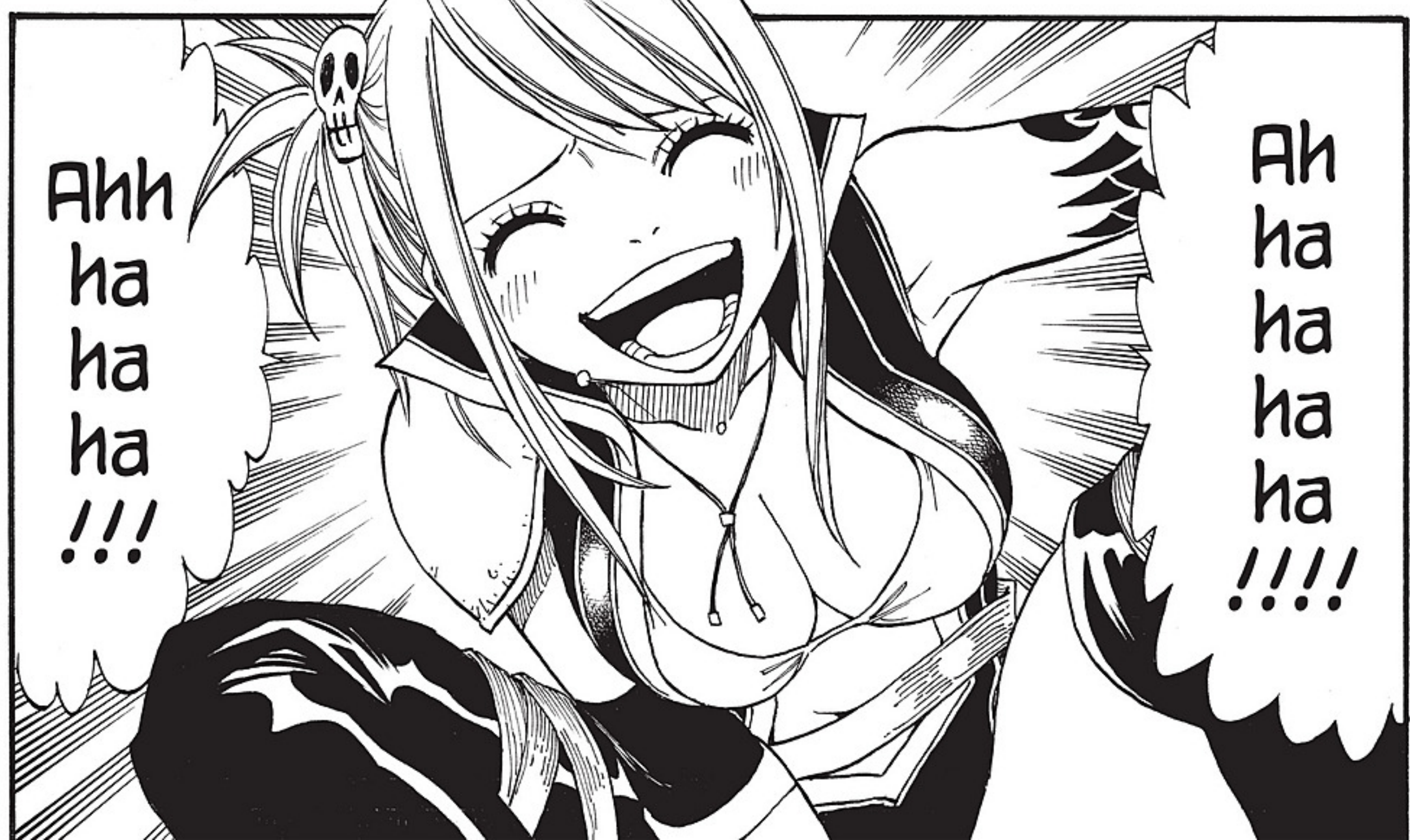
Wait... *possessing* it is a crime?



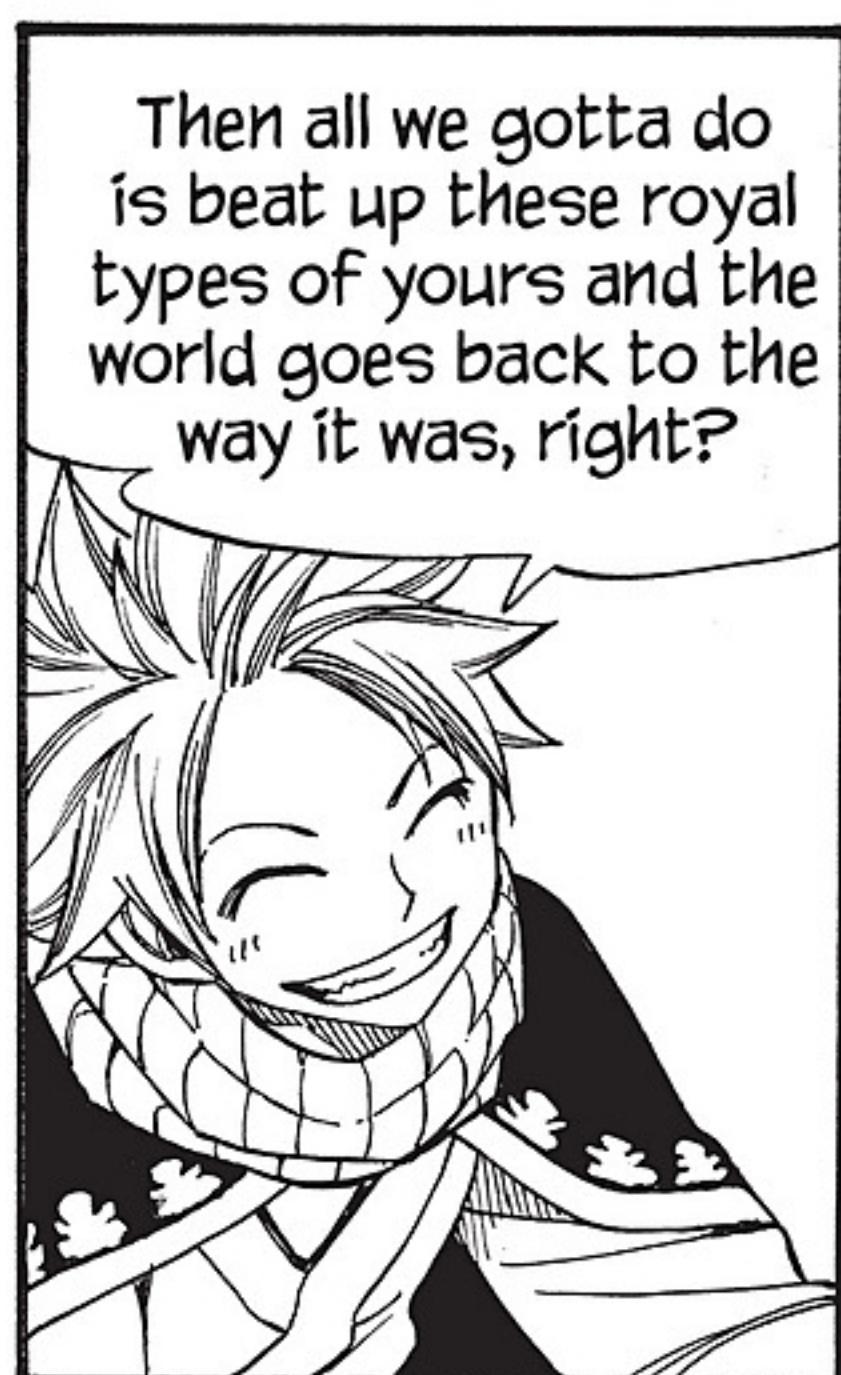
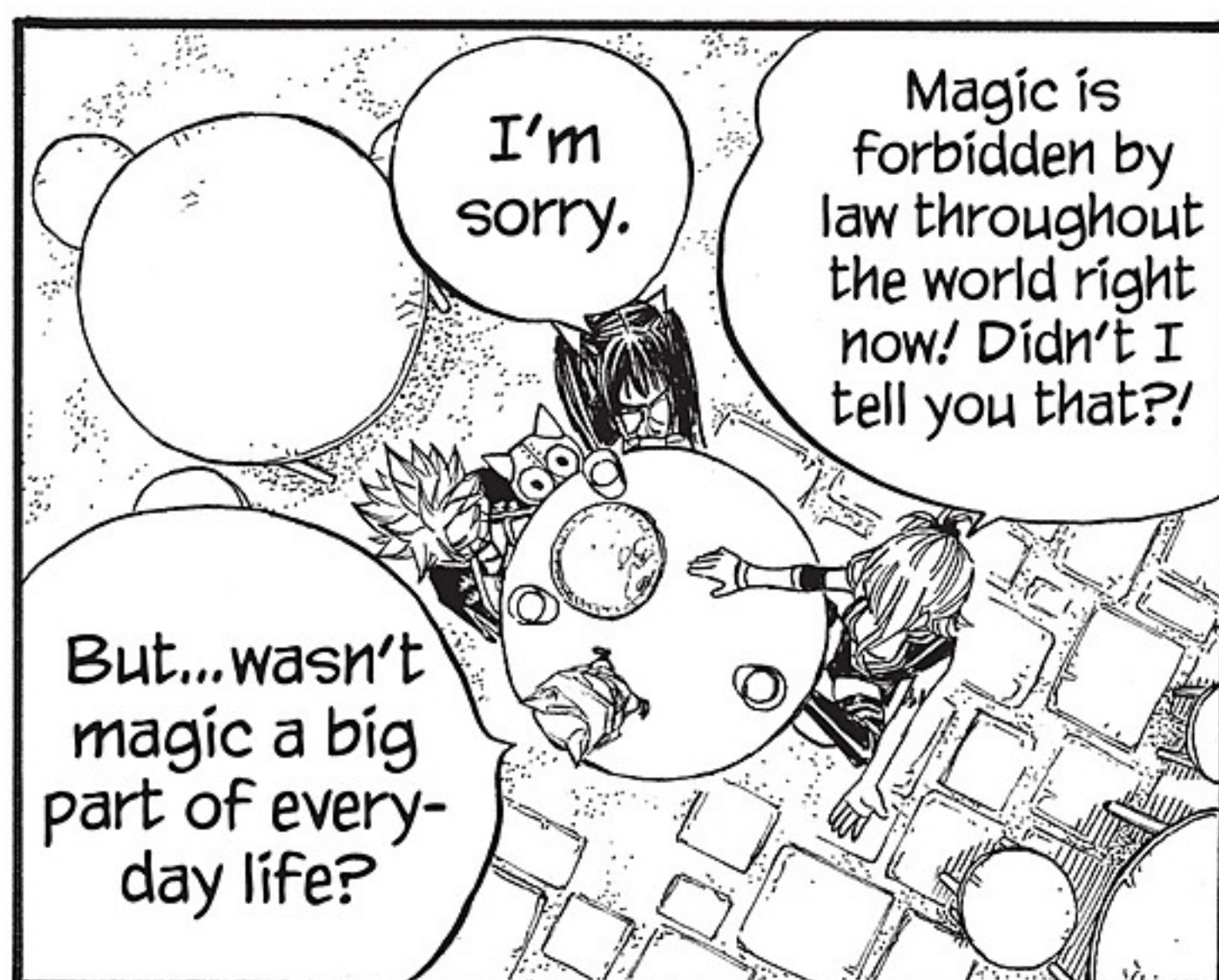
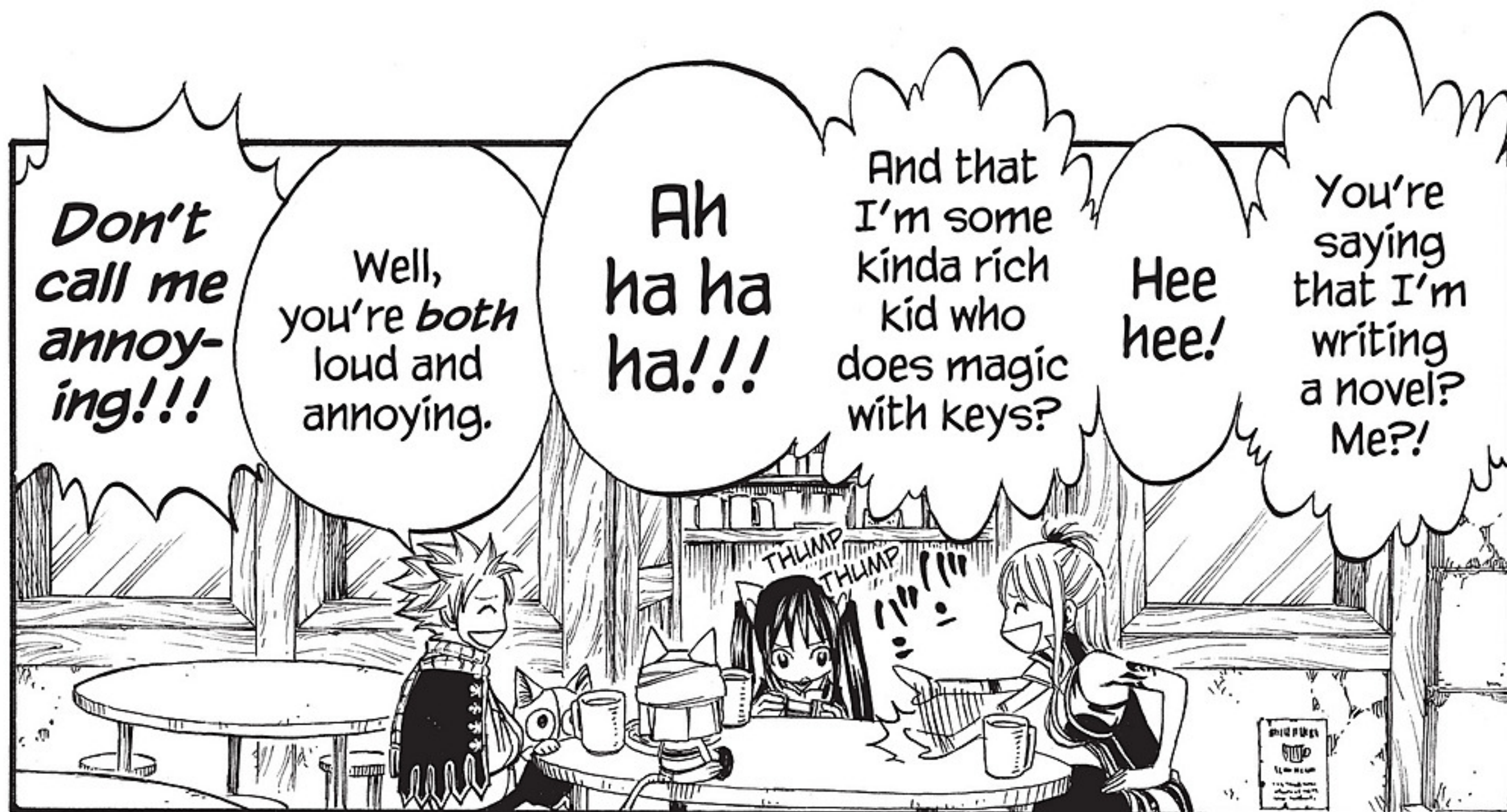
















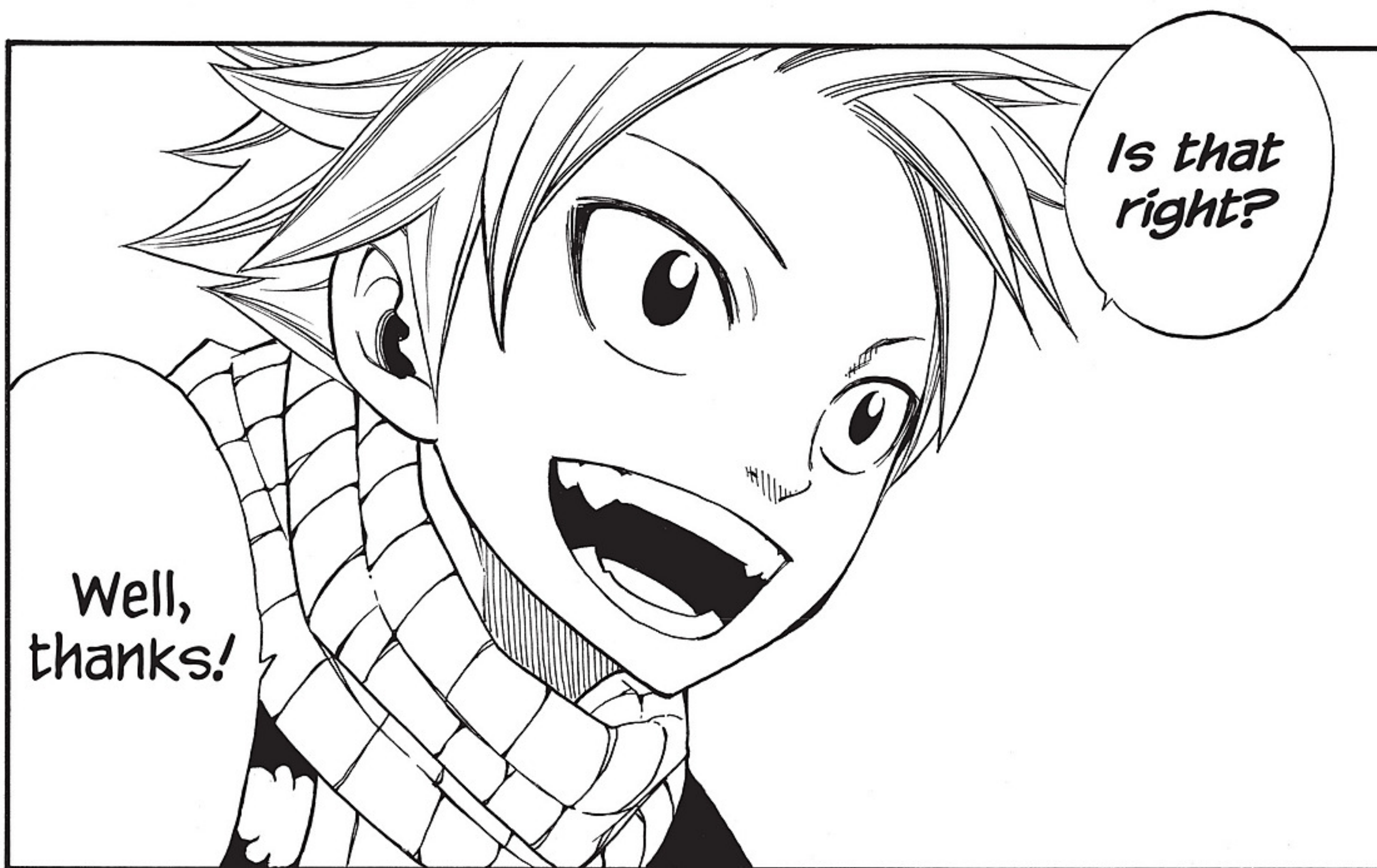
I'm...  
I'm not  
here to  
help you  
fight!!

I'm here to  
show you  
the way to  
the Capital,  
right?!

Then why'd  
you come  
along with  
us?

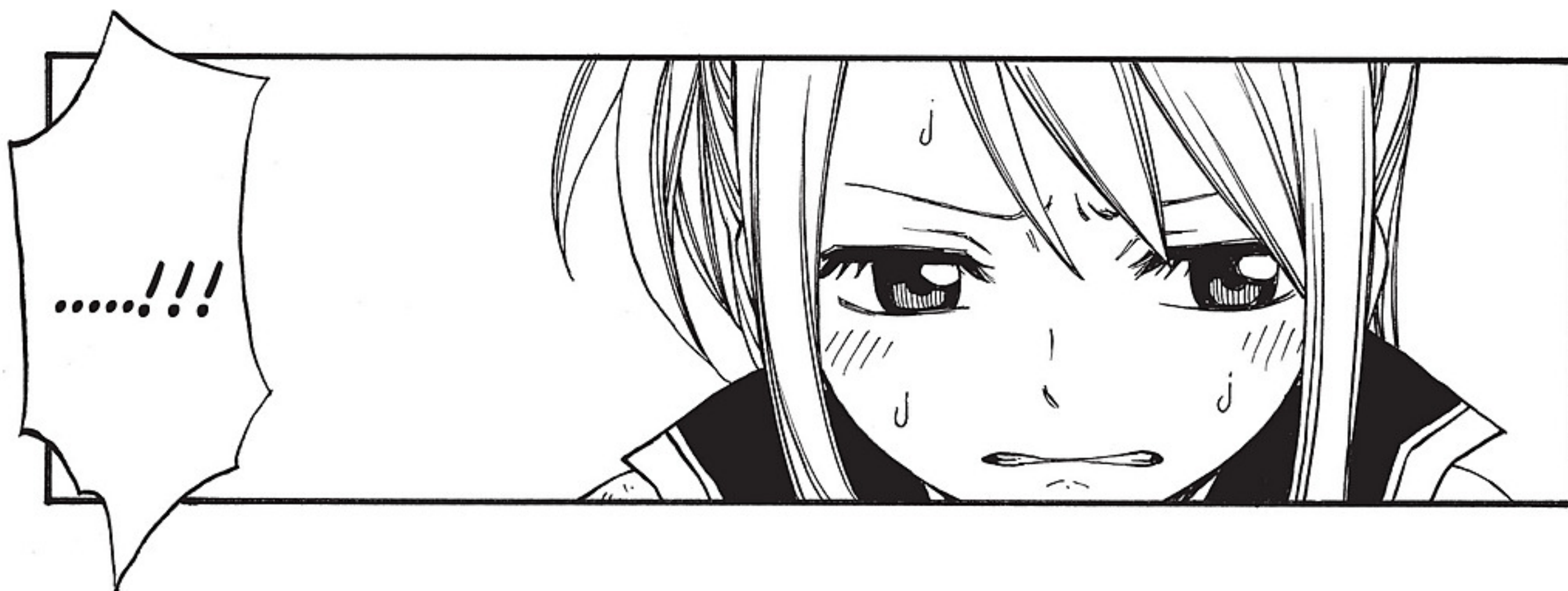
There's  
no way we  
can stand  
against  
the royal  
army!

Wh-  
What  
kind of  
stupidity  
are you  
spout-  
ing!!!



Well,  
thanks!

*Is that  
right?*



.....!!!









**FIRE  
!!!!**



Ah?



Haa  
Haaah  
!!!



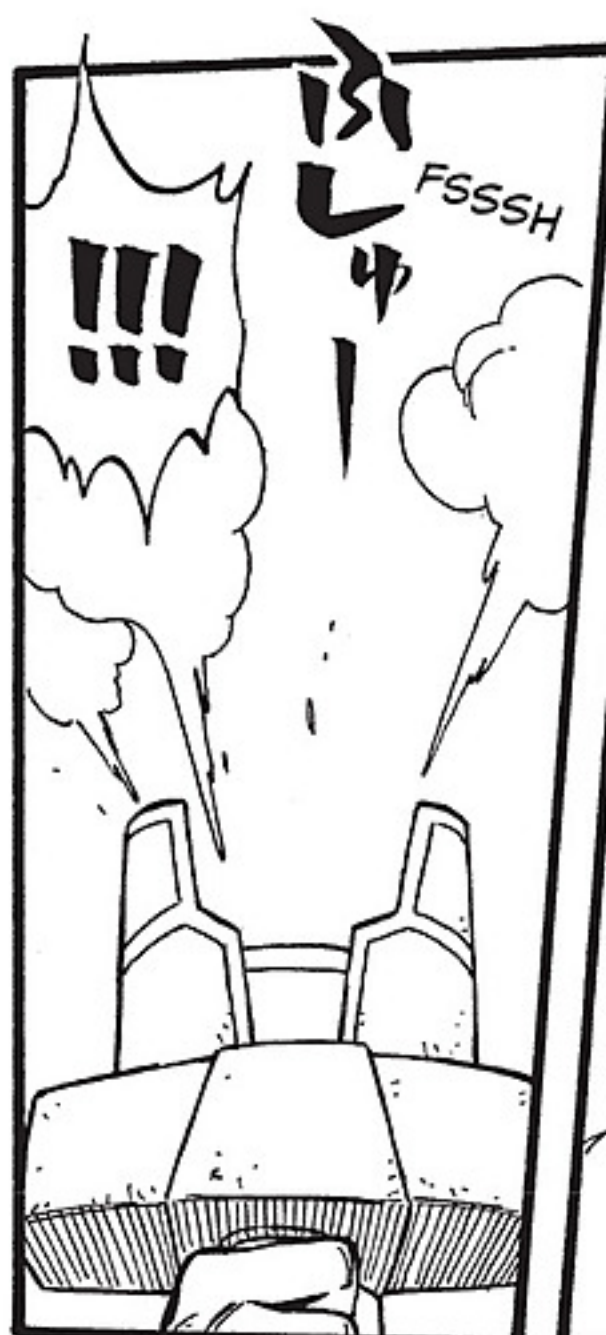
Don't  
ask  
me!!

Carla!!  
How am I  
supposed  
to use  
this?

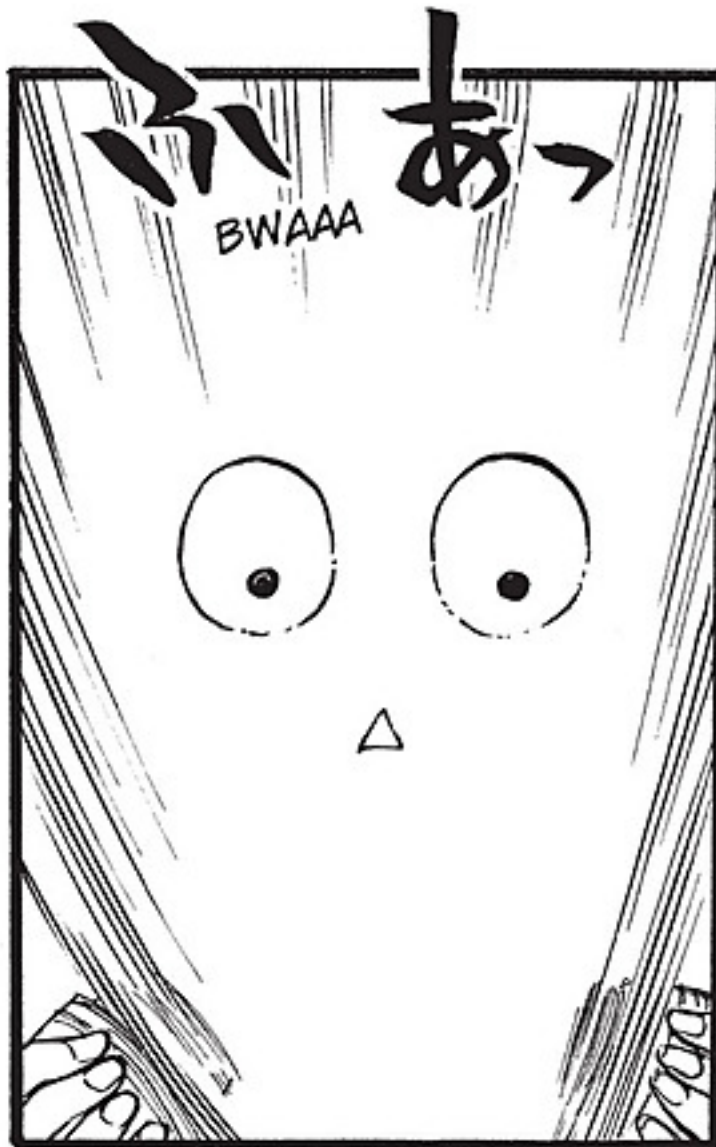
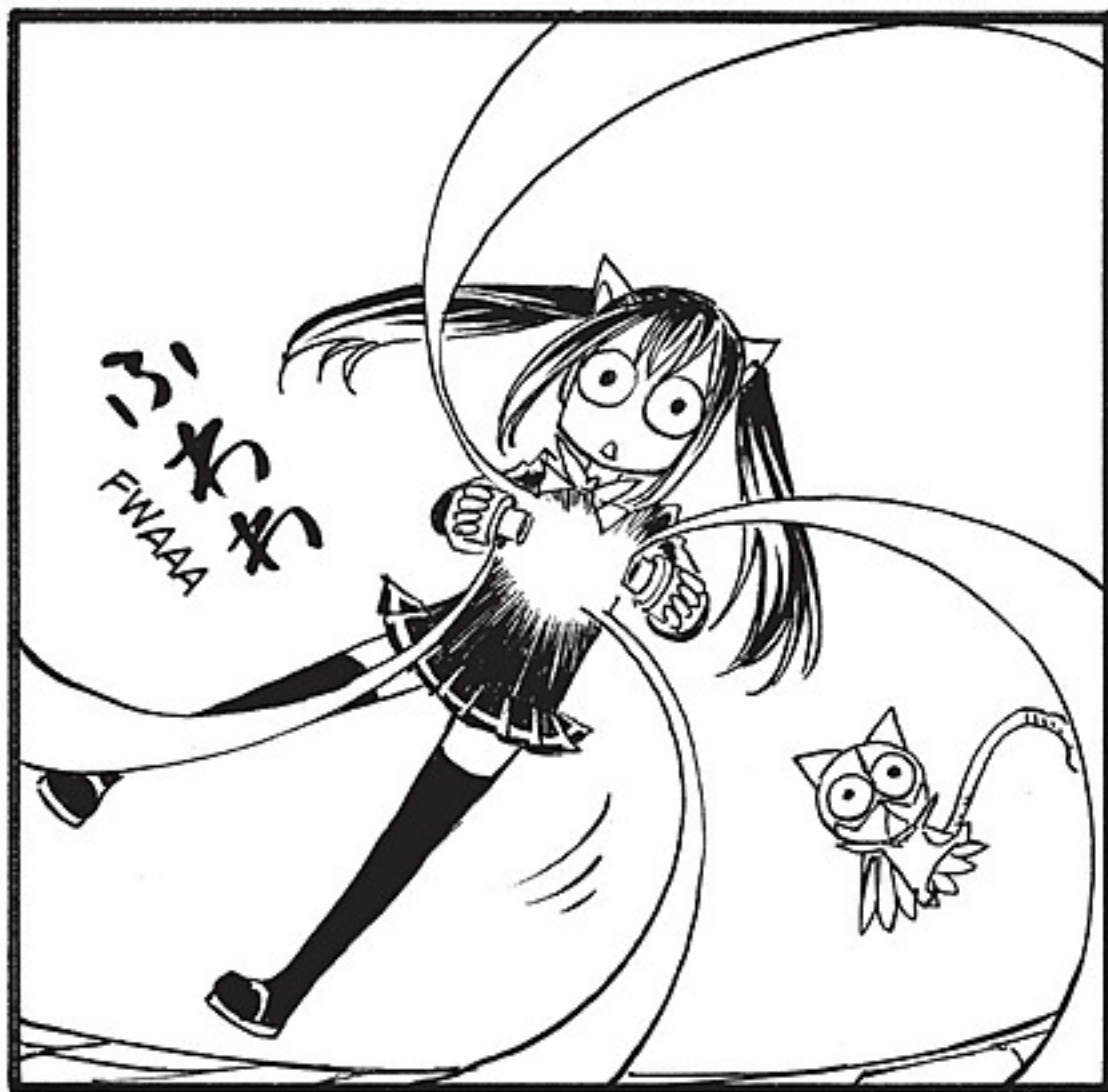




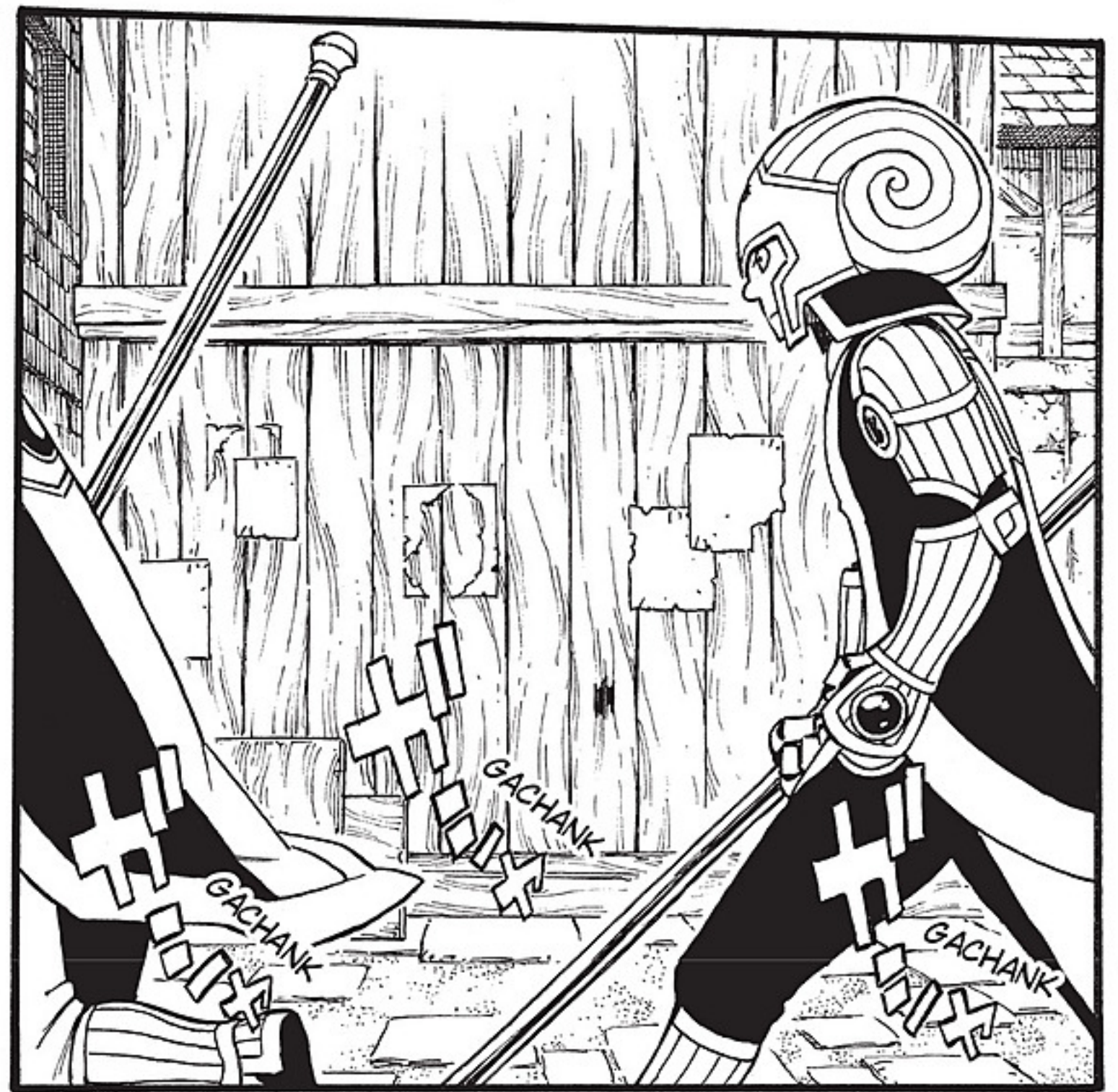
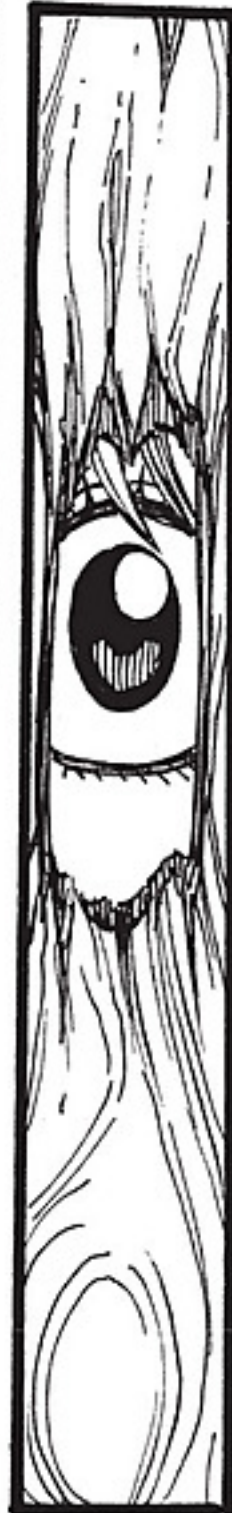
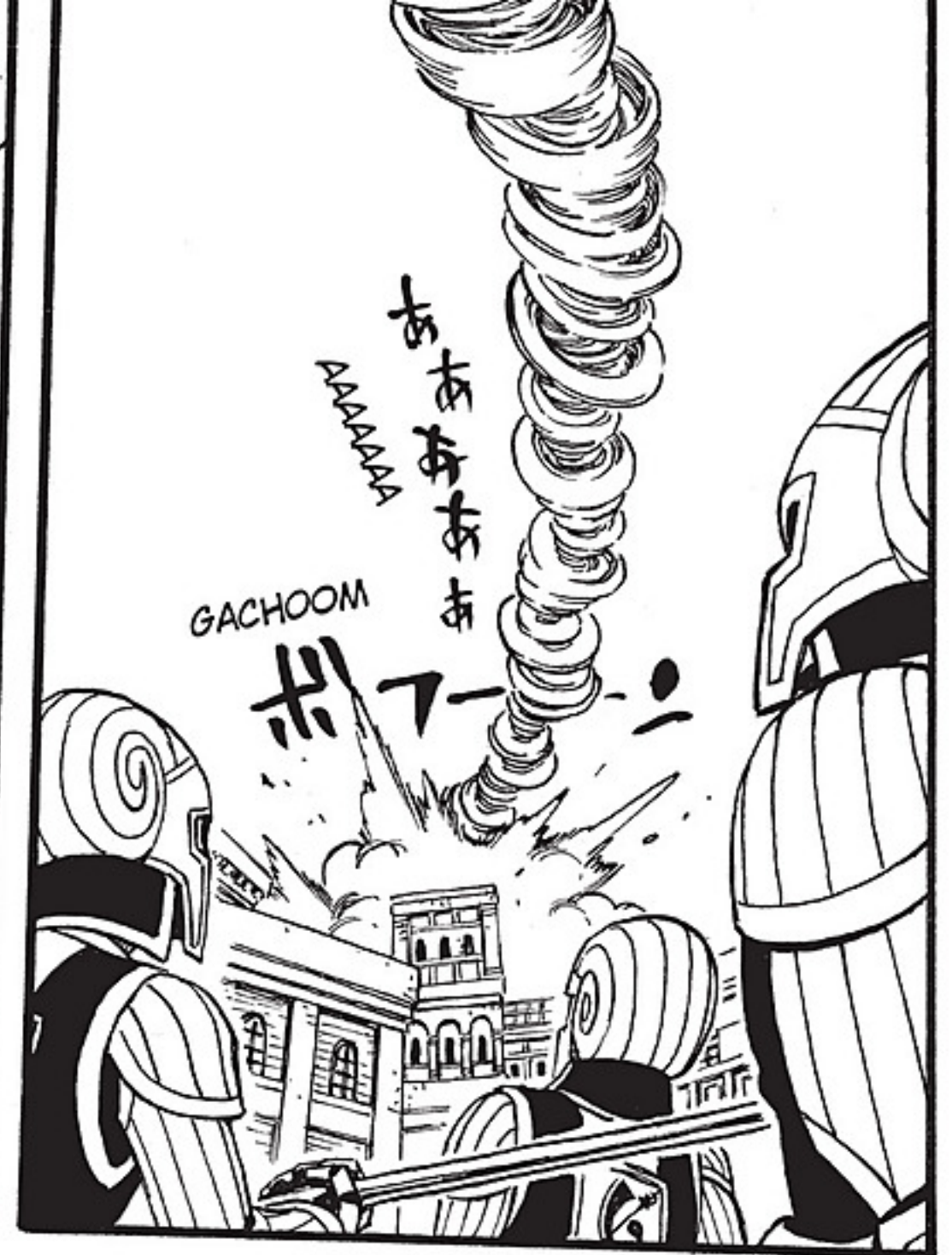
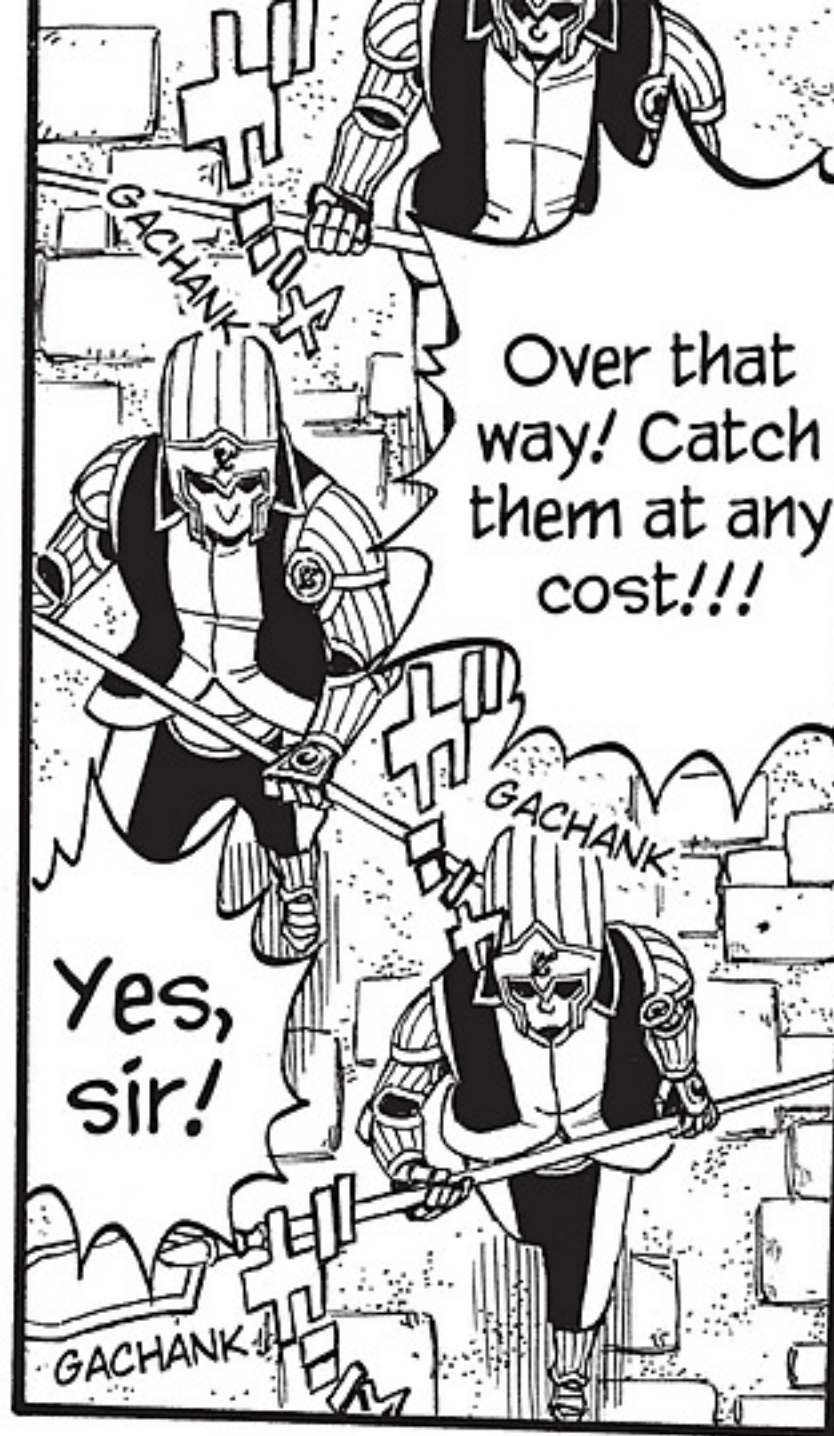
I told you that magic is limited, right?!! All magic has a limited amount of times you can use it!



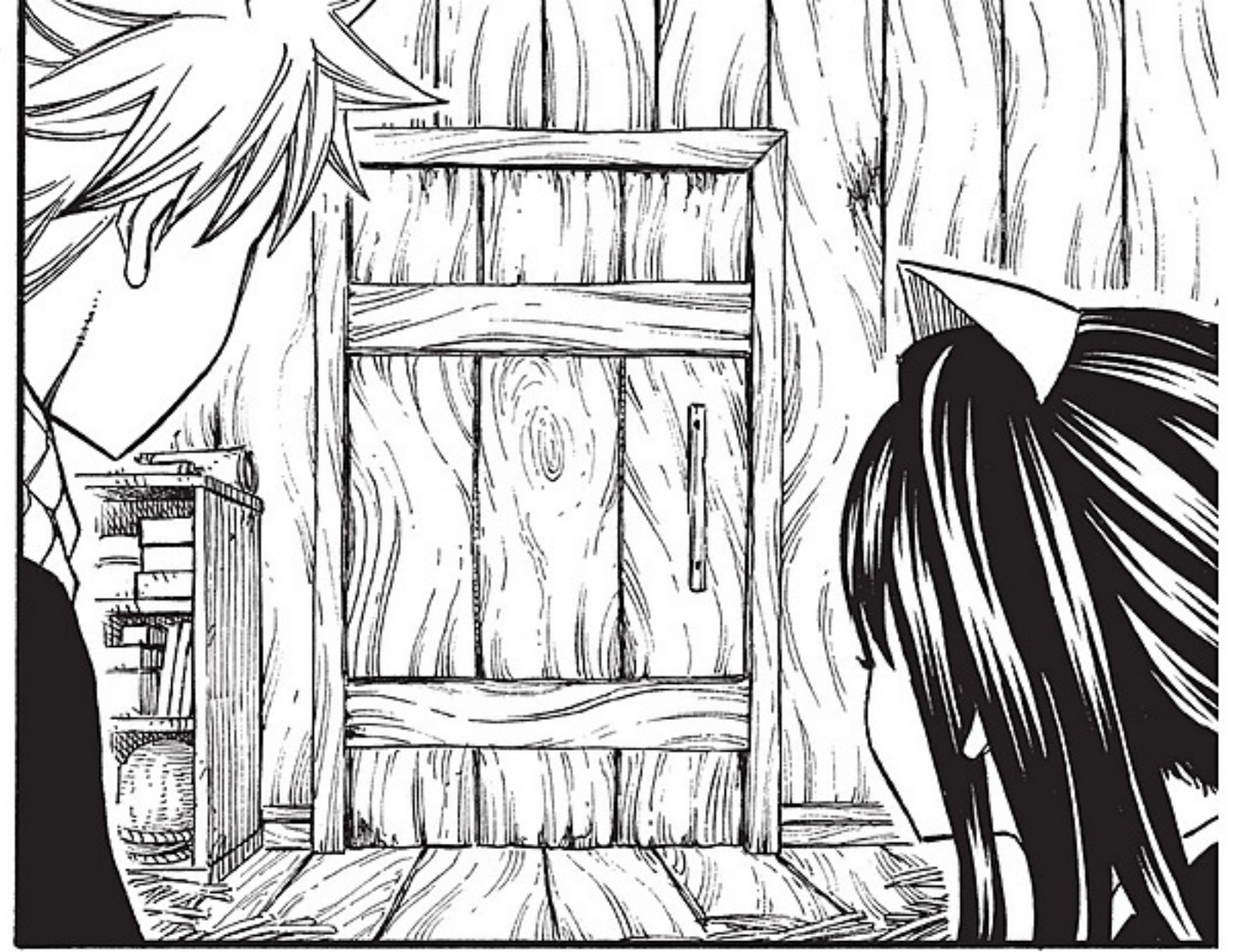
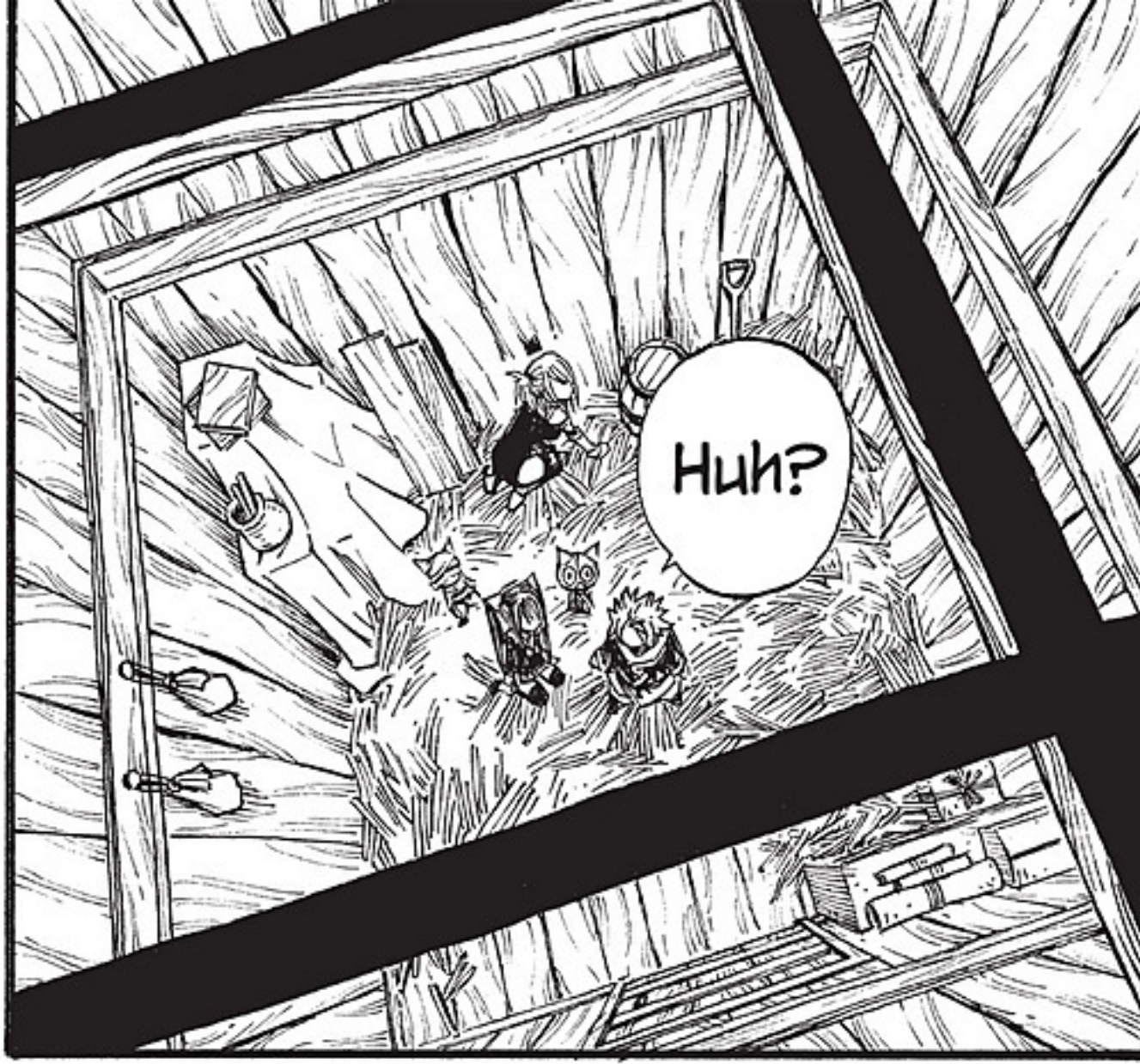




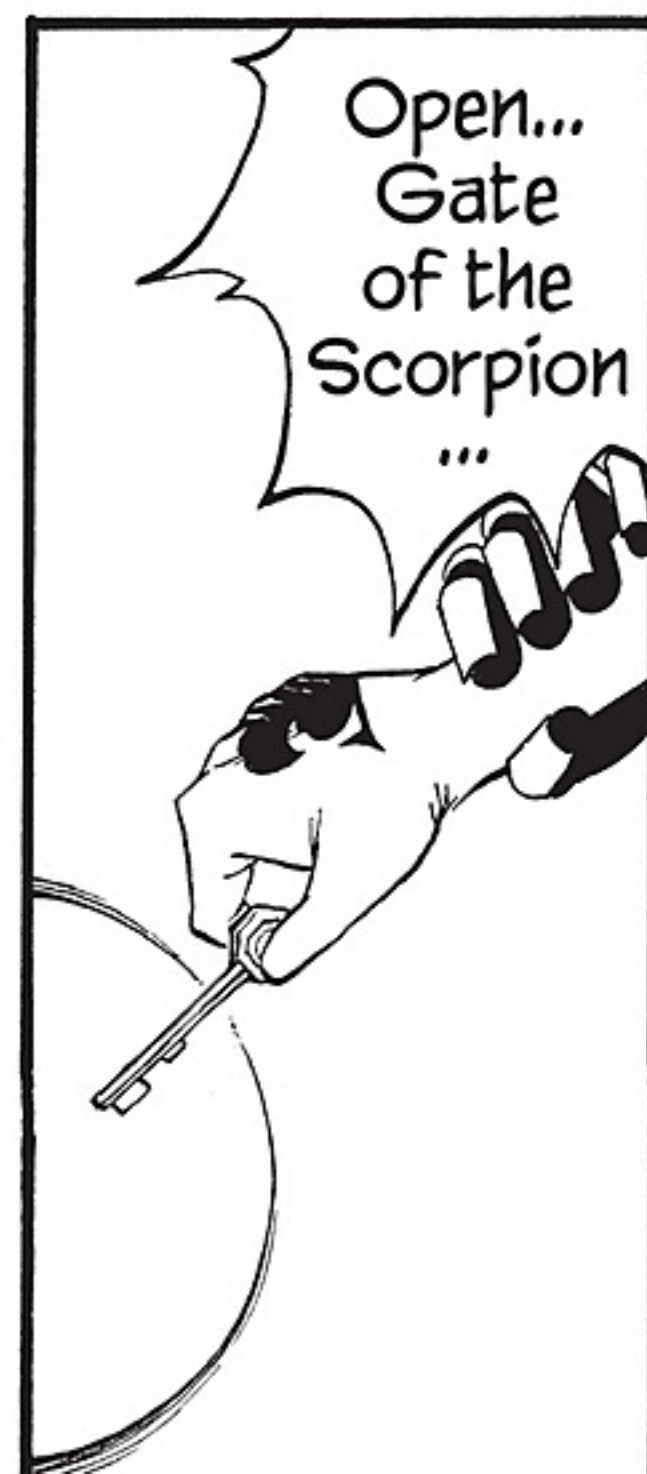
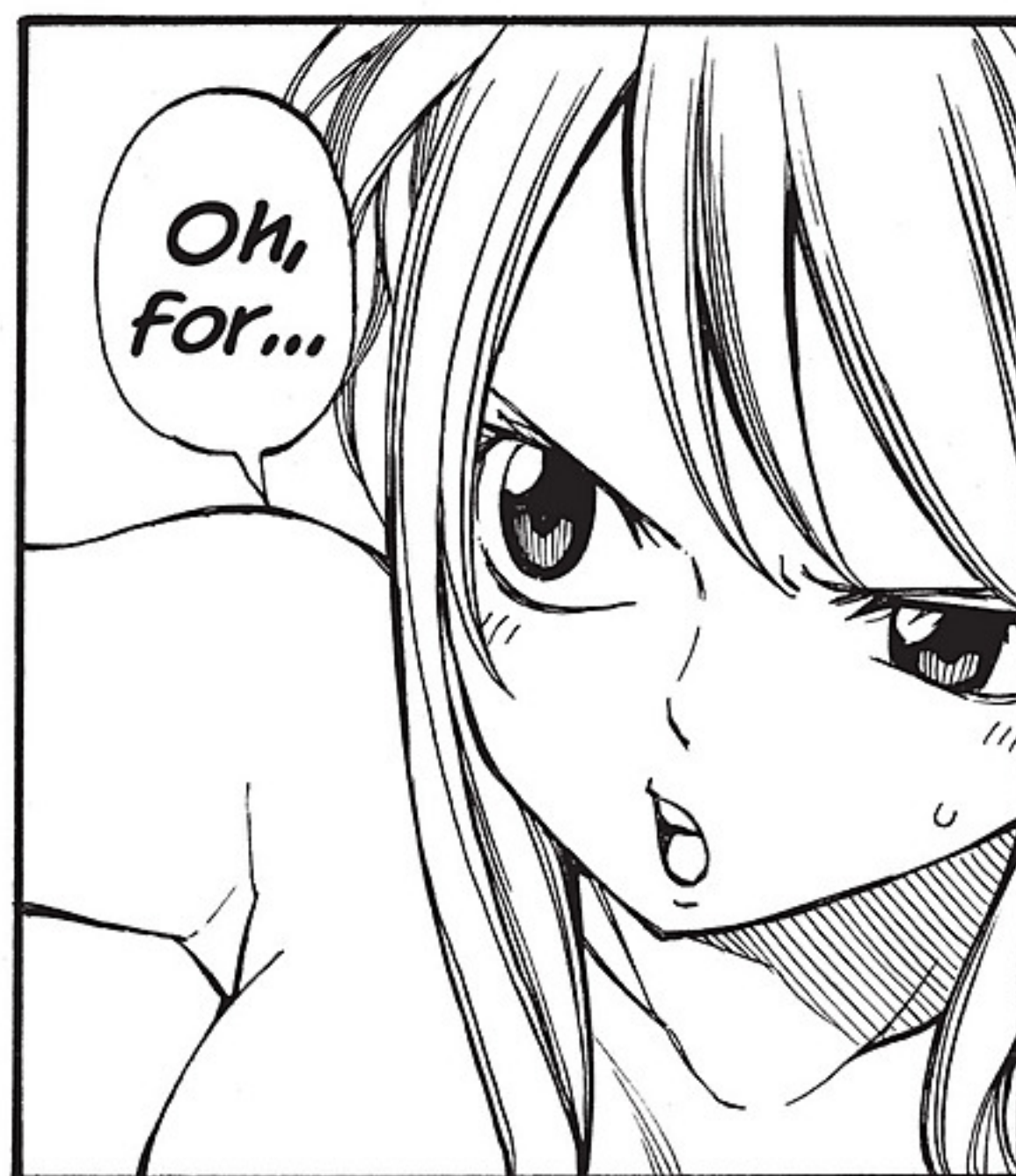
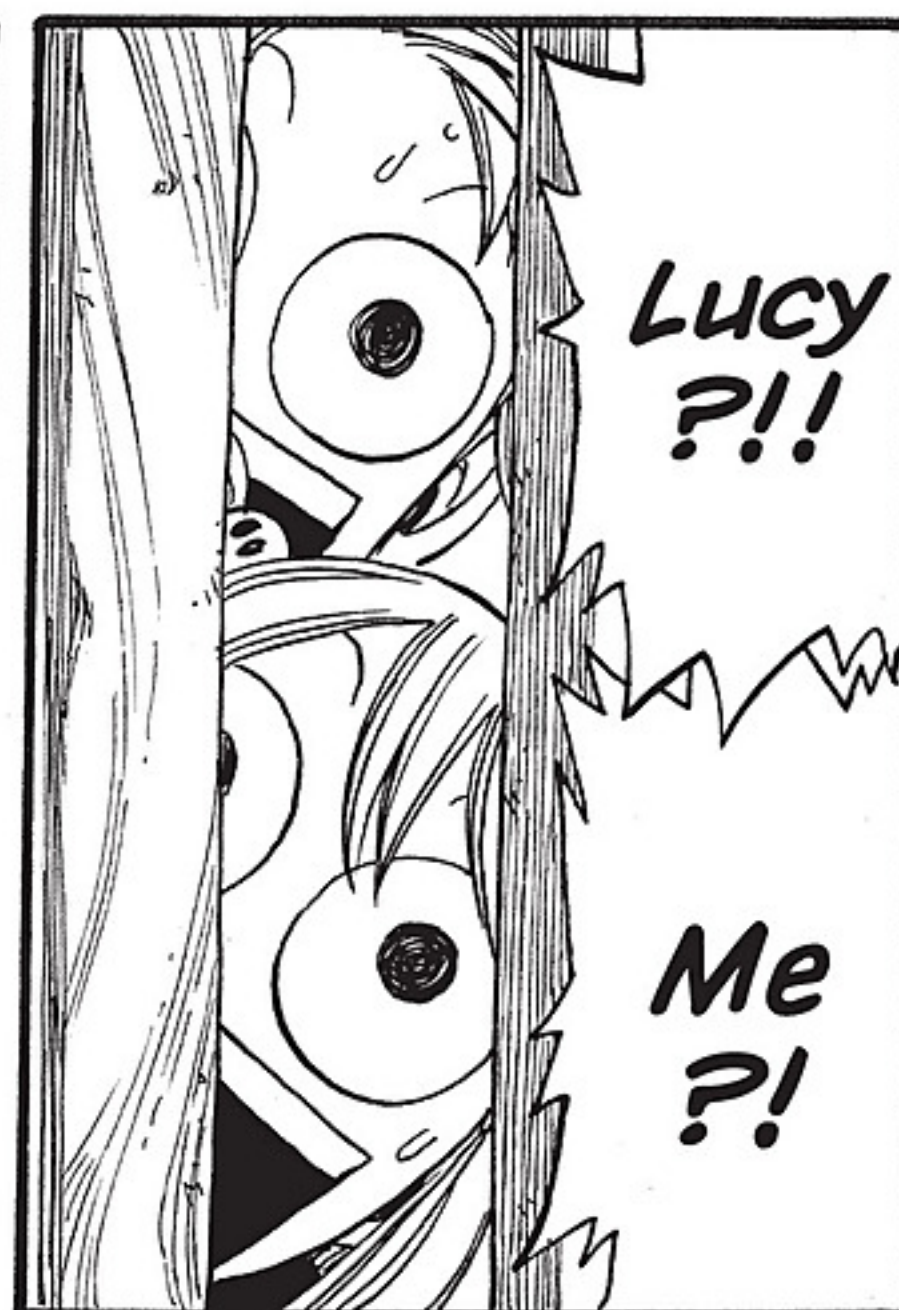




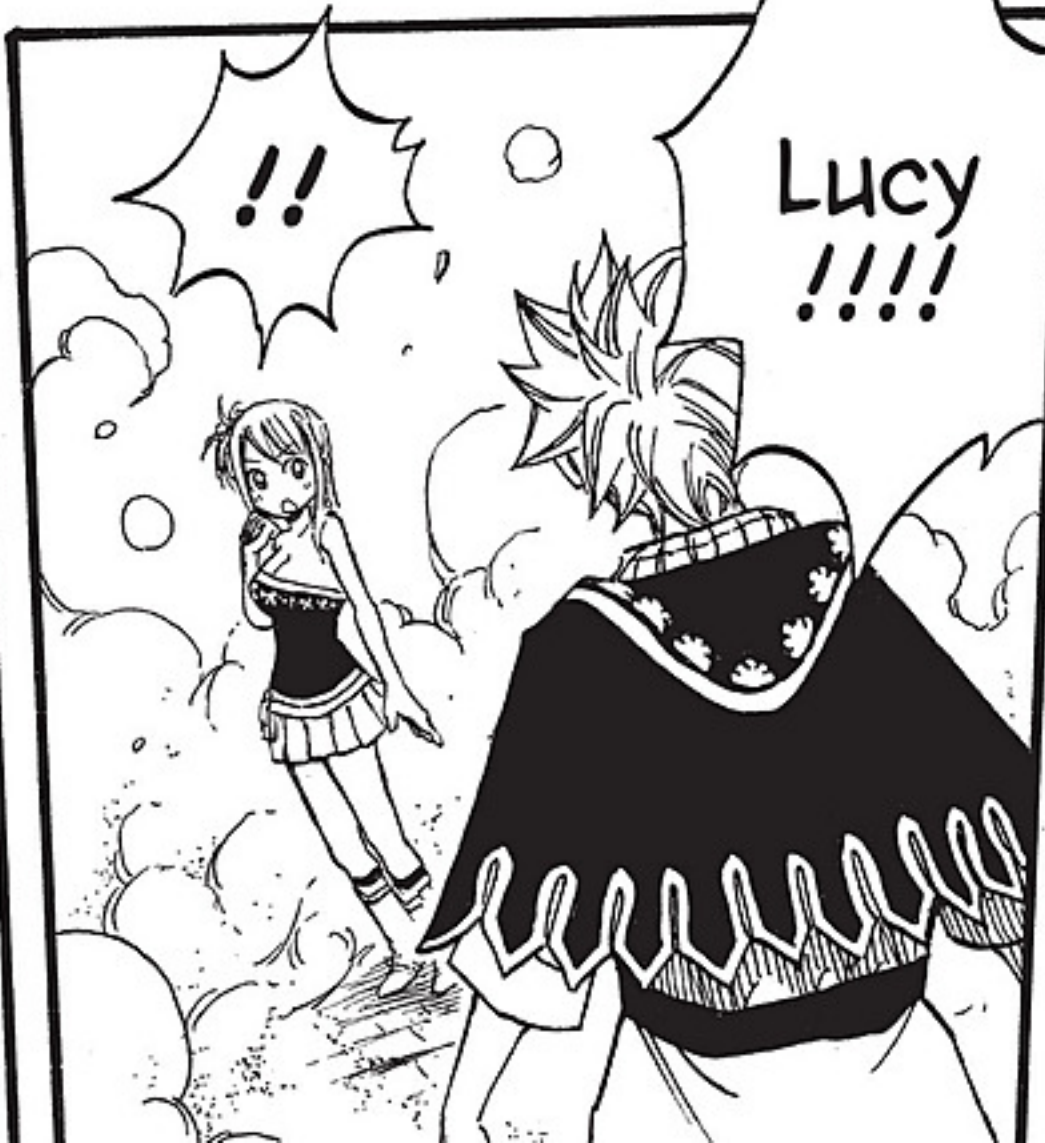
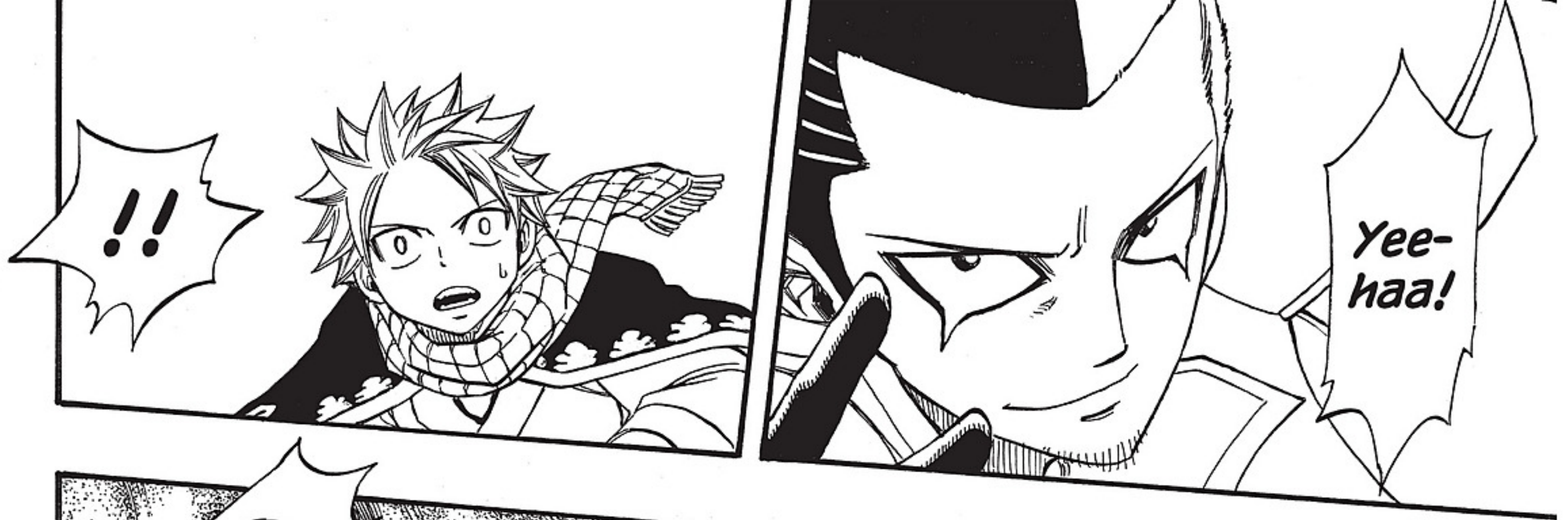




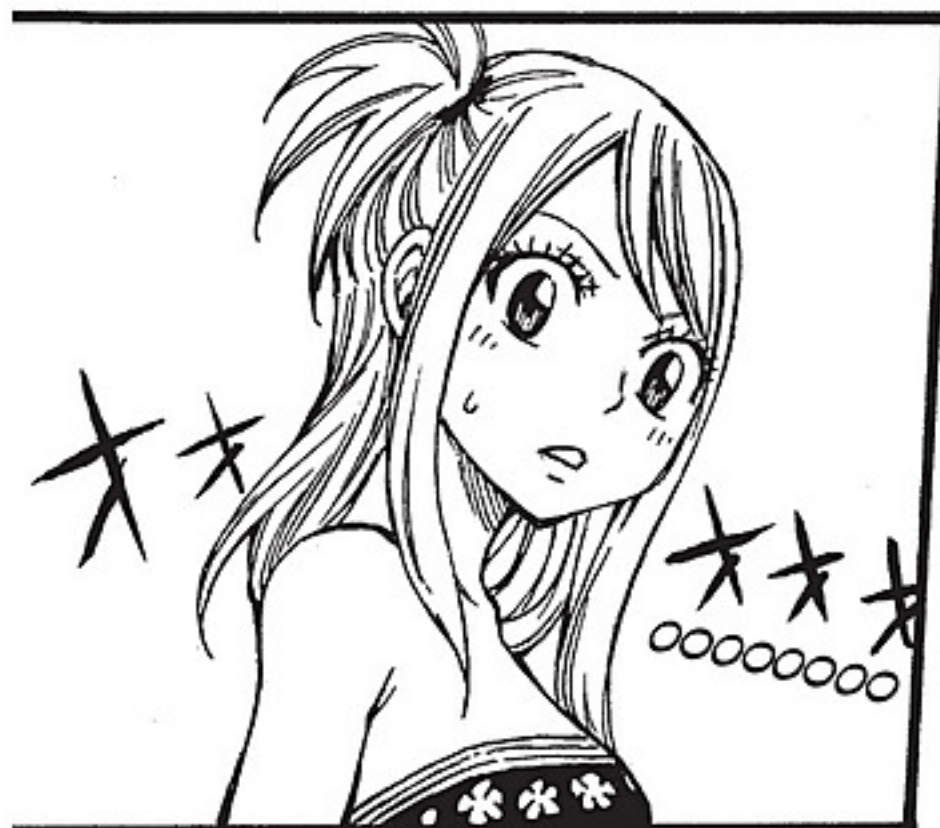
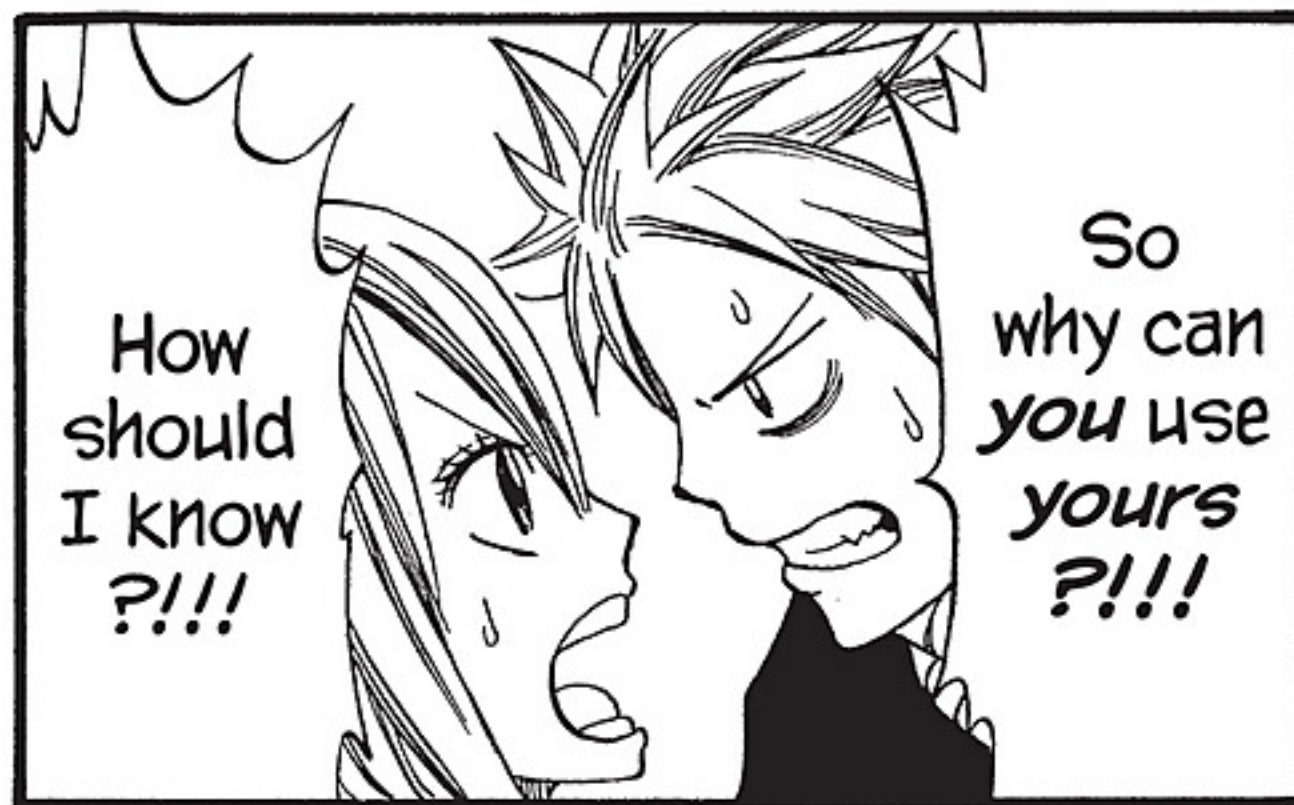
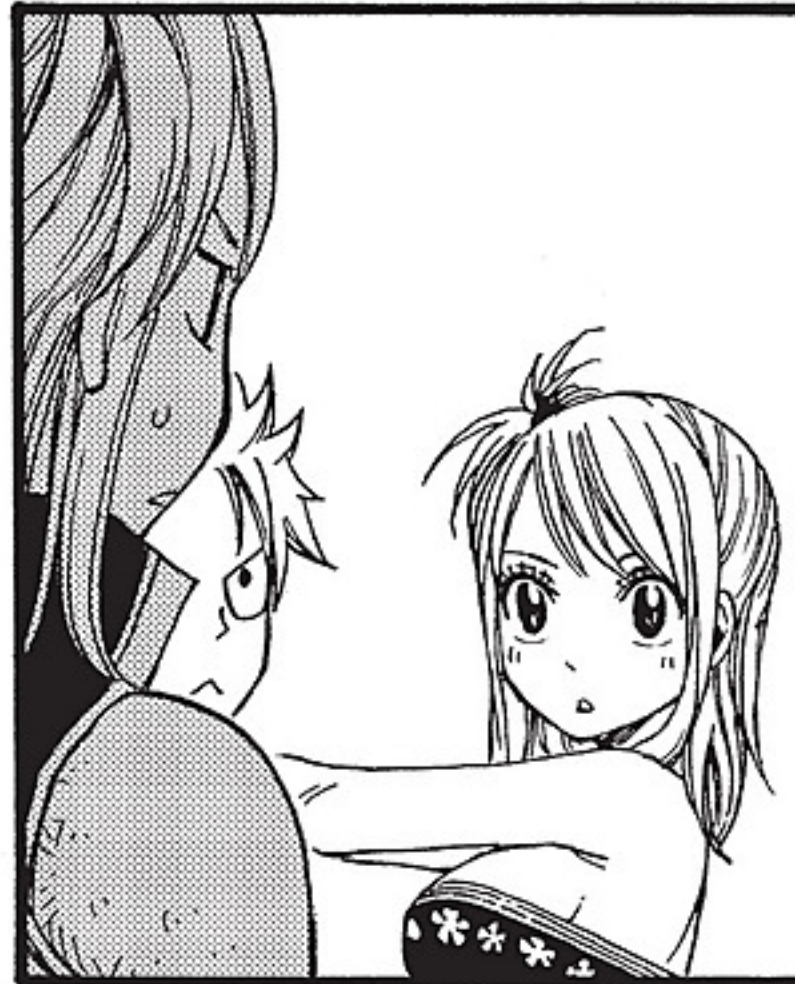




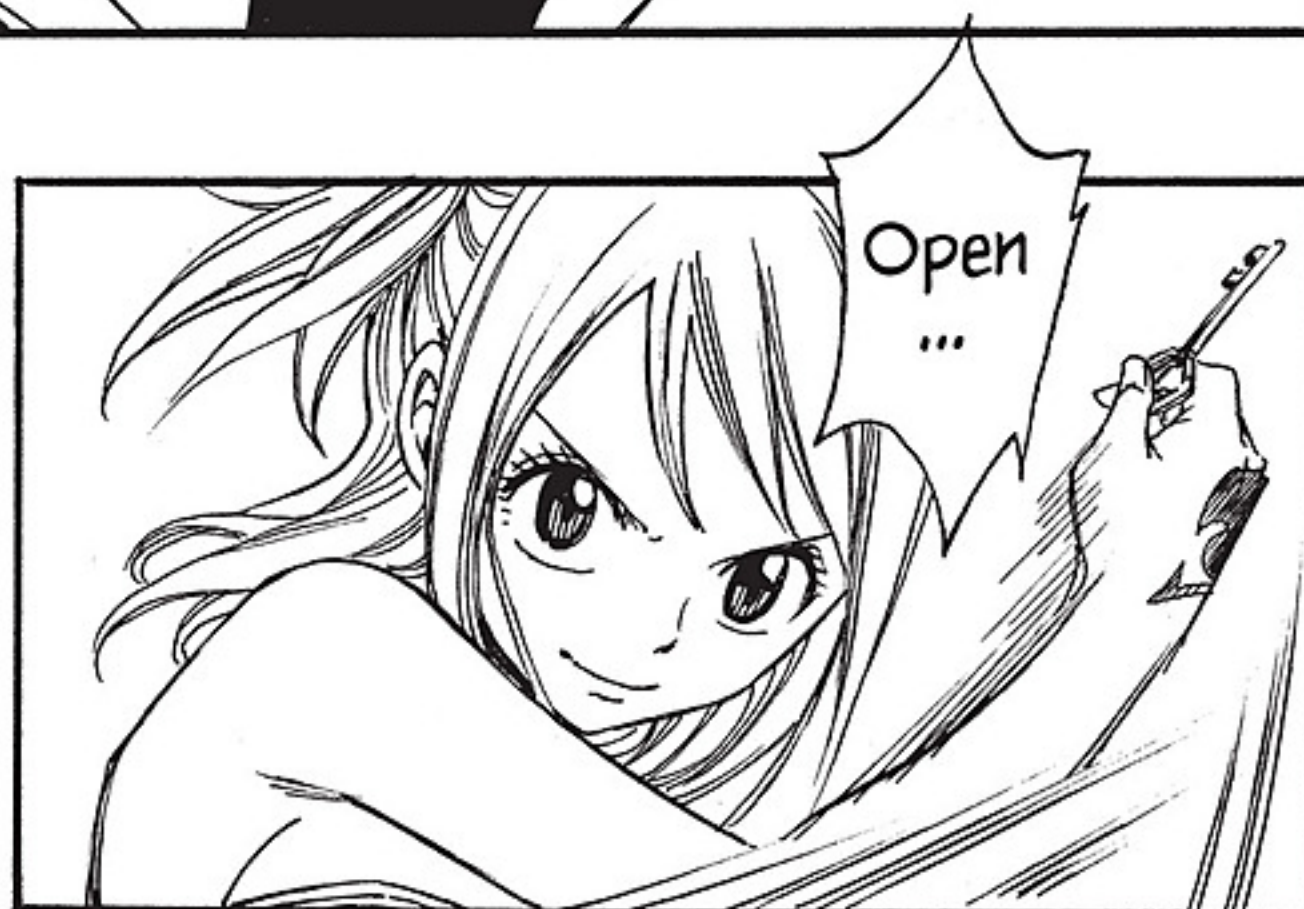
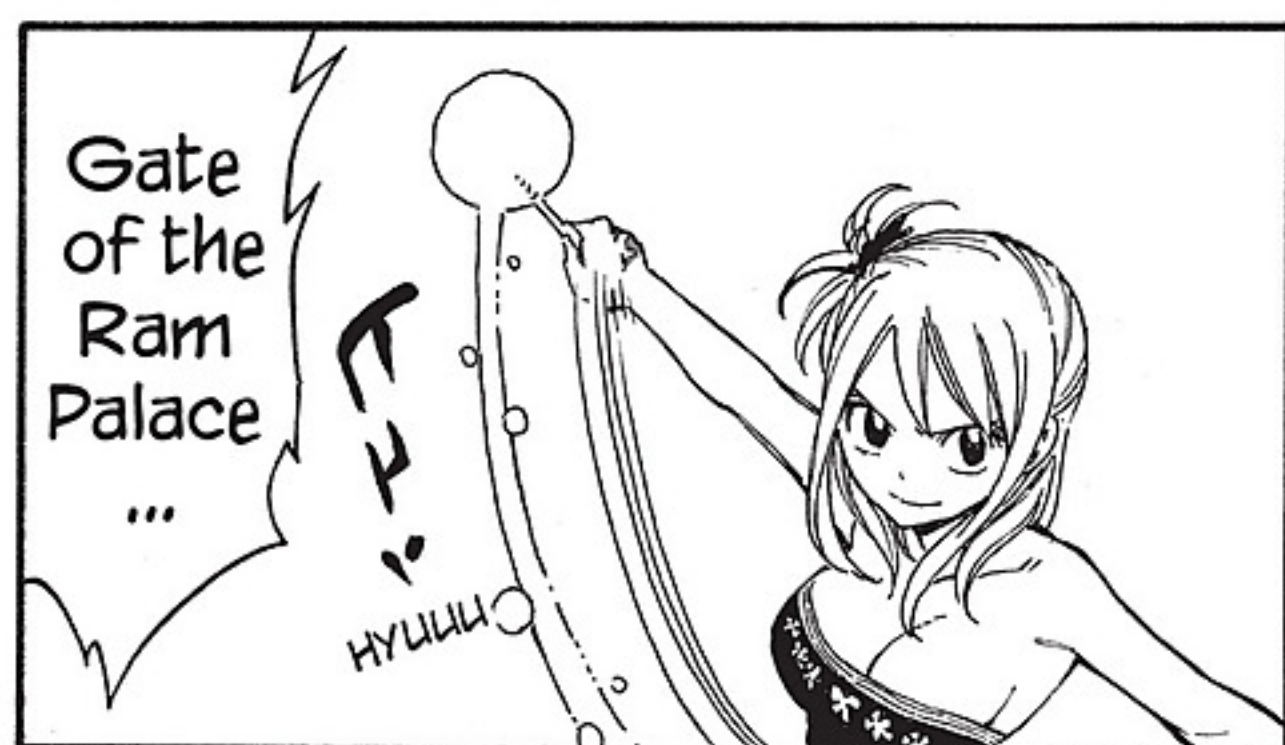
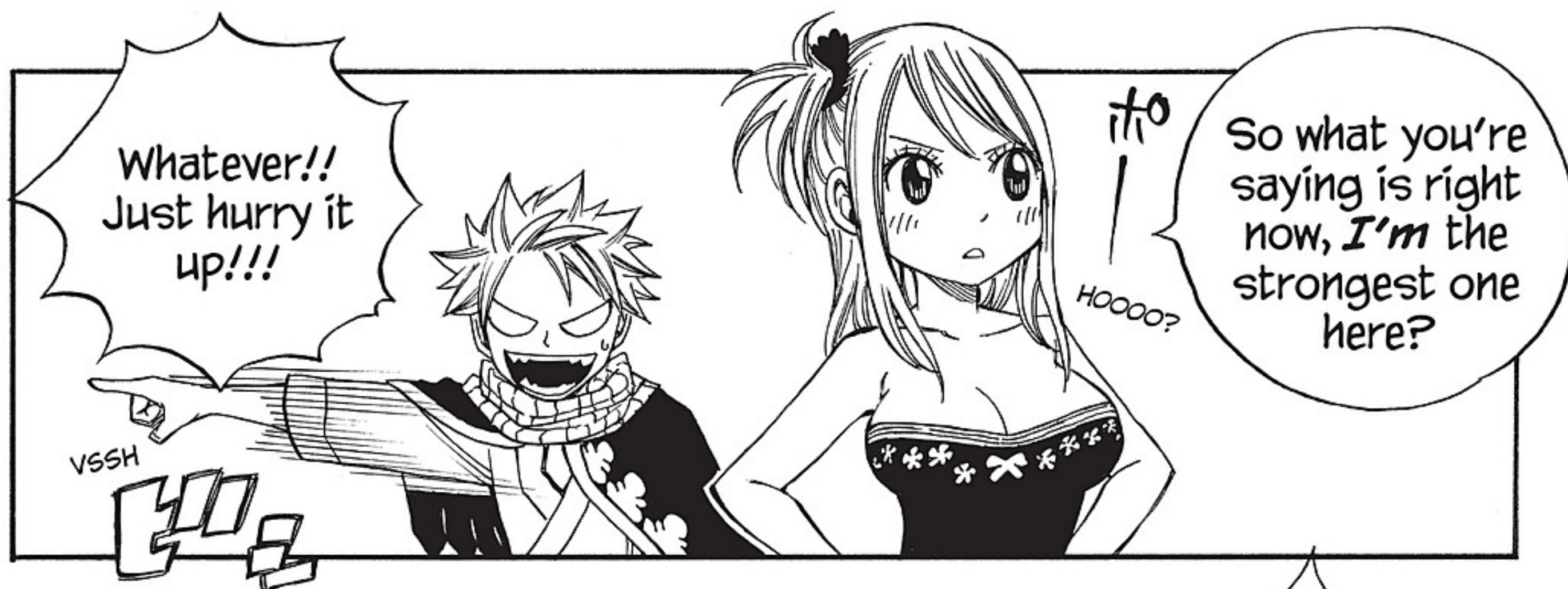
















Y-Yes!!  
I mean,  
I'll try!!

Aries, can  
you take all  
those guys  
down?!



I never  
seen  
magic  
like that  
before...

No... A  
beast  
...?!!

A  
person  
just  
appeared  
...?!!



What *is*  
that...?!

Look  
how  
wooly  
!!!



Is  
this...what  
Earth-land  
magic is  
like...?



Ahh! ♡ I think  
I'm feeling  
pretty good  
myself!

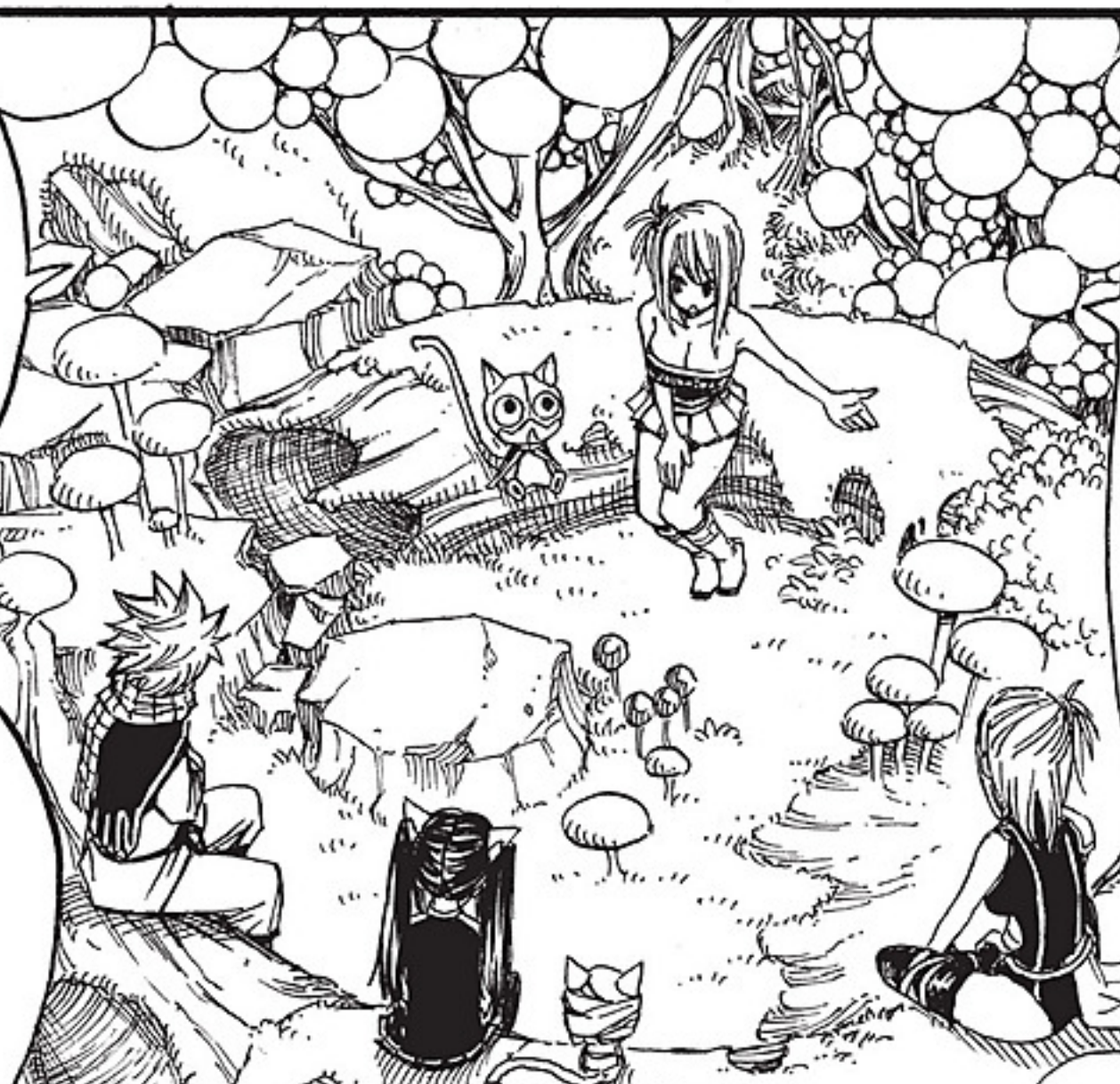
Nice  
play,  
Lucy!!



Everybody,  
now's our  
chance!!

Huh?





He said he could feel the "warping of space" or something like that.

And I think he hid me in a different time-space for a short period.

...and so, the instant the Anima started sucking up the town, Horologium rescued me.

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BING-BONG!



Just who is that guy?

And then, after hearing my story, he sent me here before I could ask him anything.

He didn't tell me.



Mystogan ?!



After that, I wound up in this wide-open space all alone...

...and that's when Mystogan came by.

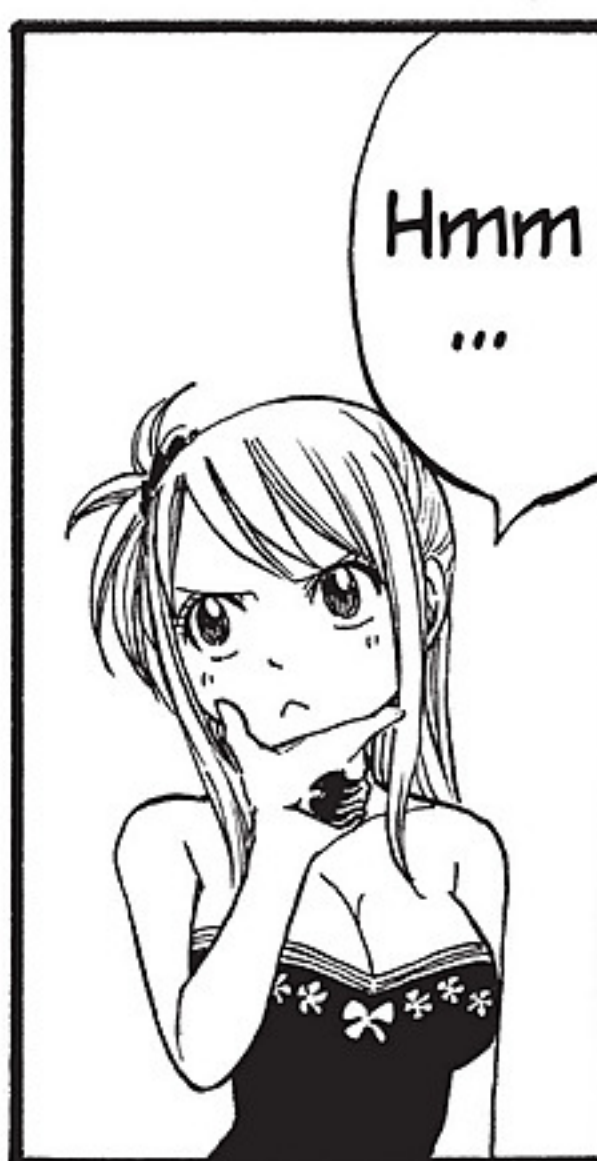




Don't  
crush my  
dreams!

**No!**

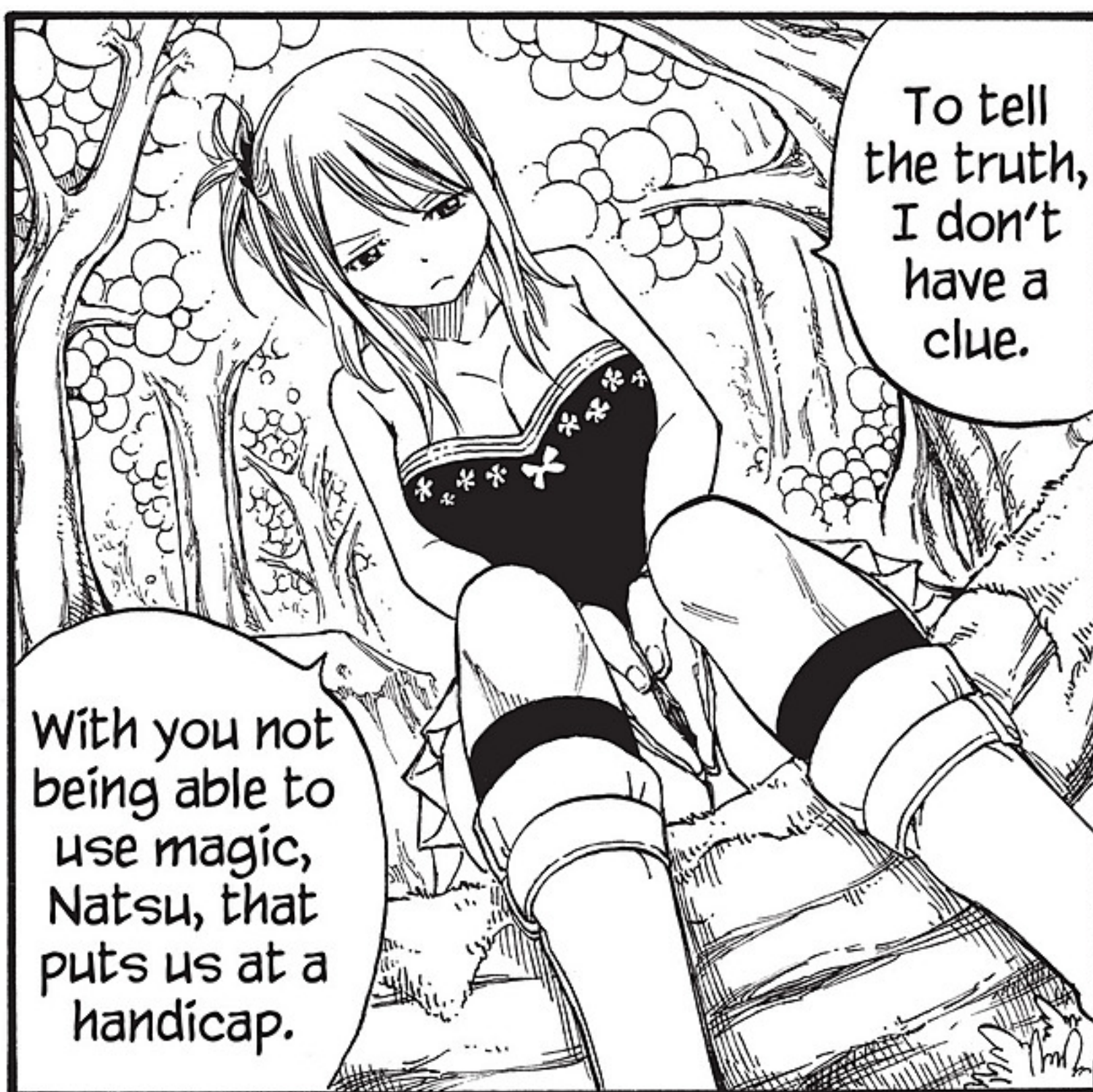
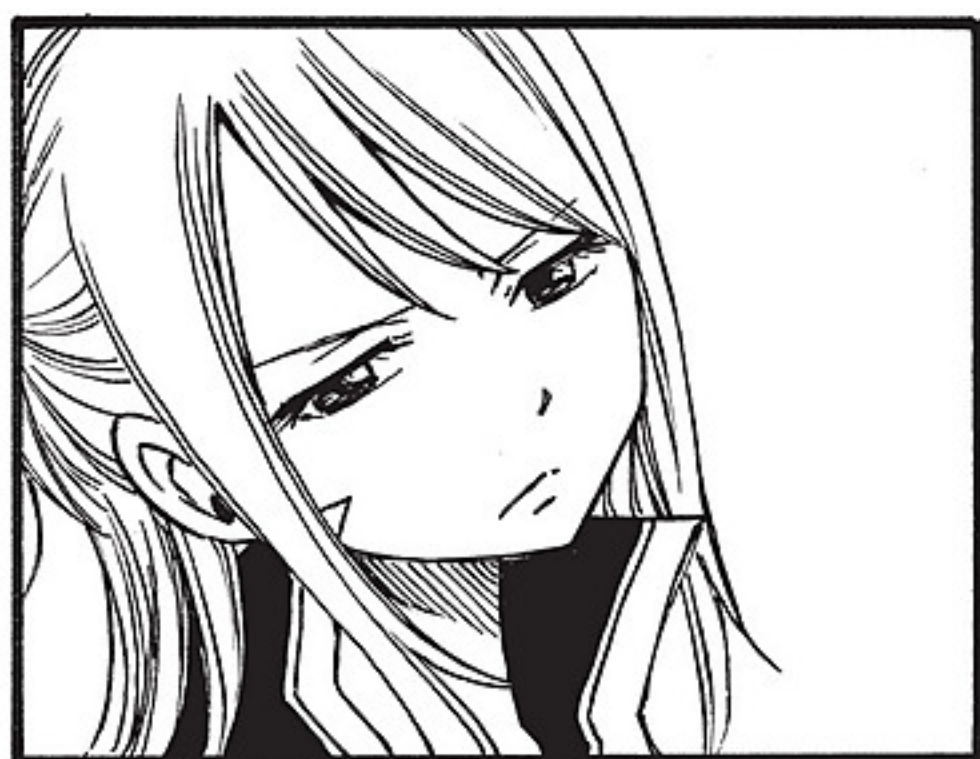
Could it be  
because  
I am a  
legendary  
hero fated  
to...



Hmm  
...

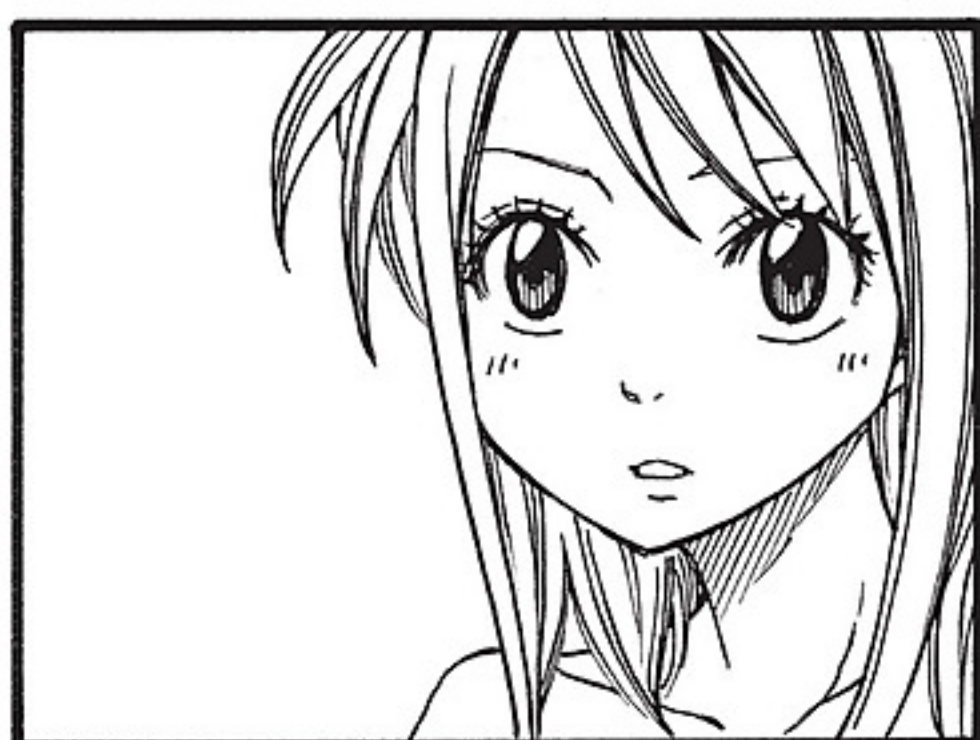


So Lucy,  
why are you  
the only one  
who can use  
magic in  
this world?



To tell  
the truth,  
I don't  
have a  
clue.

With you not  
being able to  
use magic,  
Natsu, that  
puts us at a  
handicap.



Wait a  
second!!  
I used it  
properly,  
right?!!

Without  
anybody who  
can use mag-  
ic properly...  
taking on the  
Kingdom...



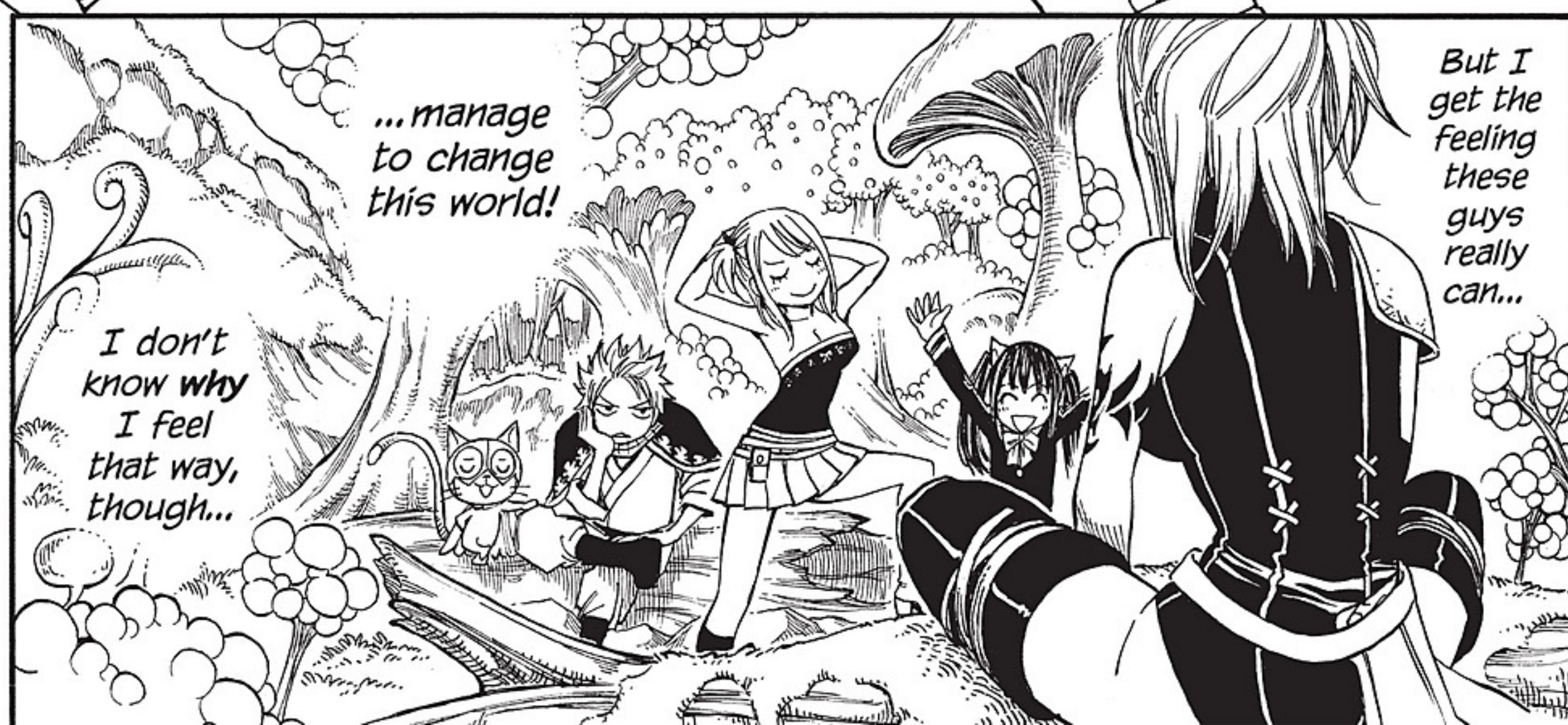
Is  
this really  
supposed  
to be  
me?

It's  
for our  
friends!

Naturally.

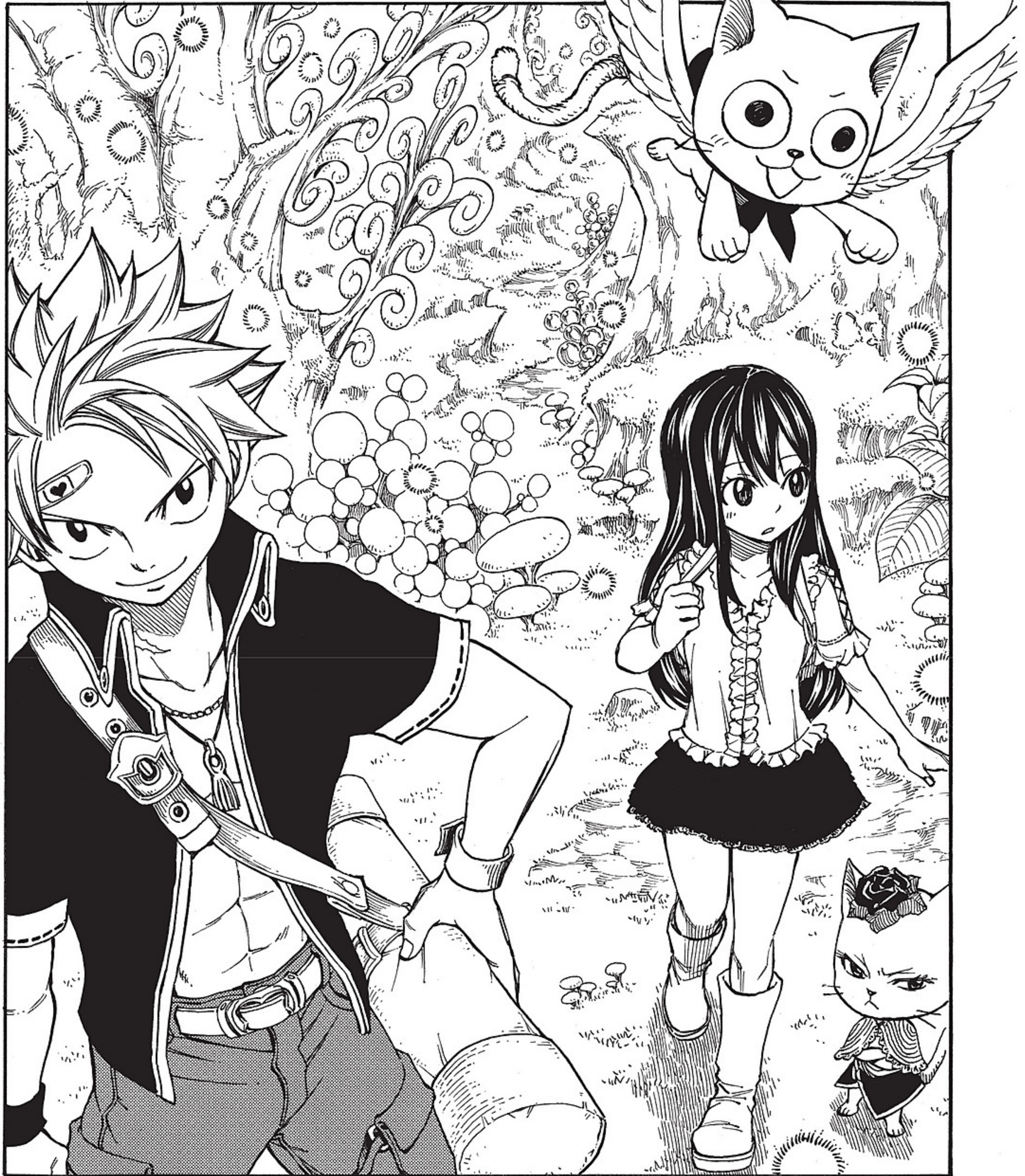
Listen, creeps!  
You *actually*  
expect to take  
on this entire  
Kingdom?





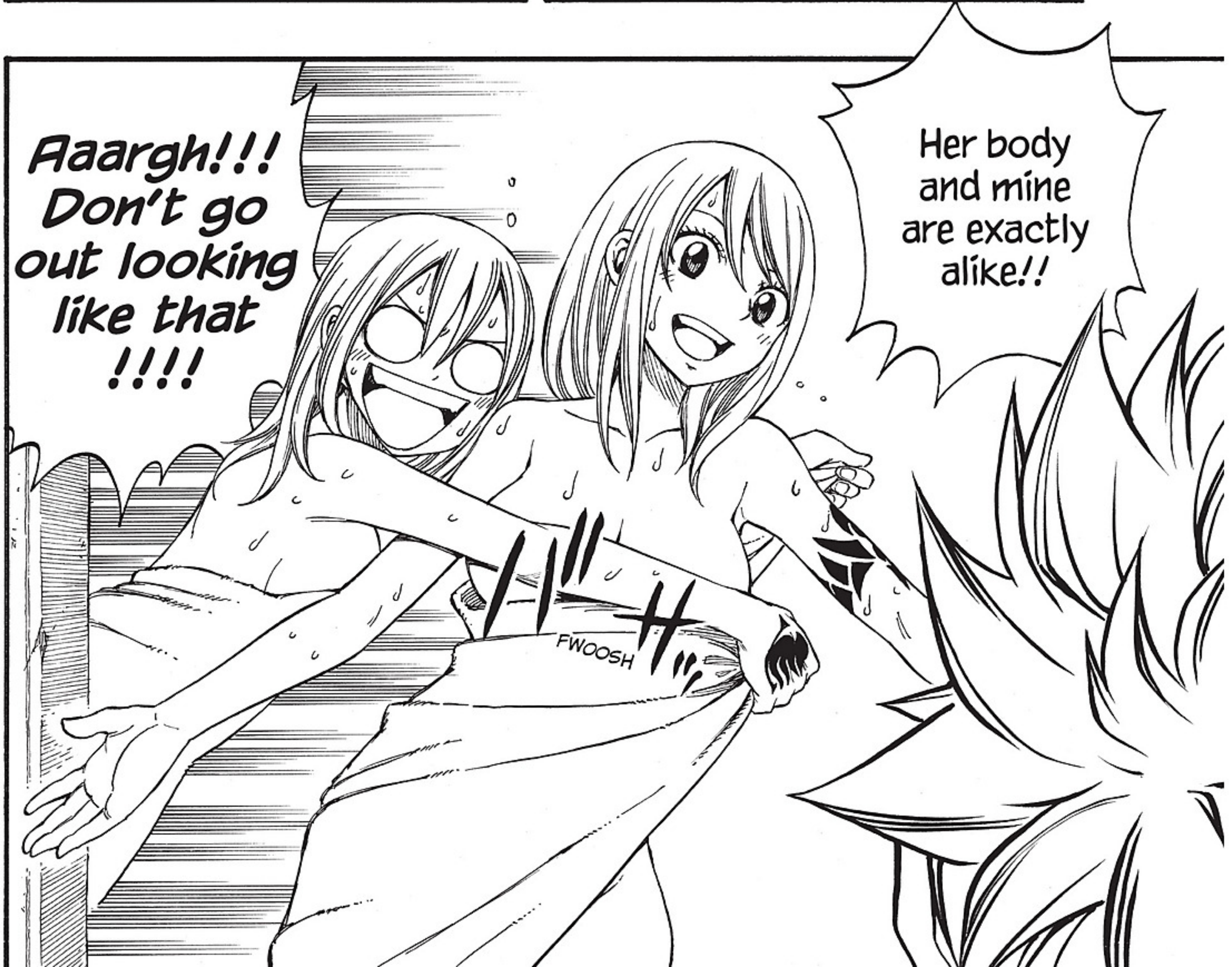
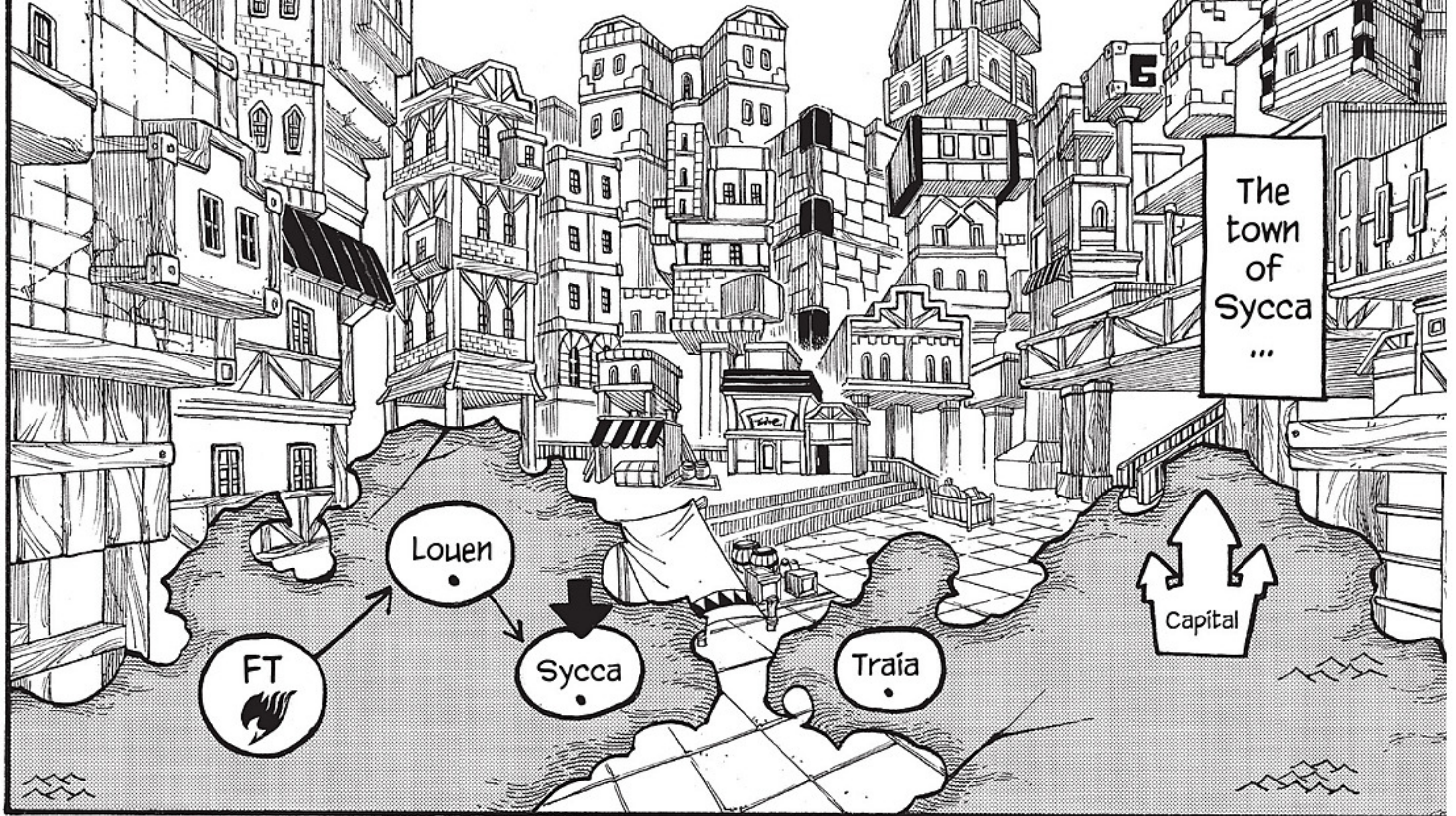


# FAIRY TAIL

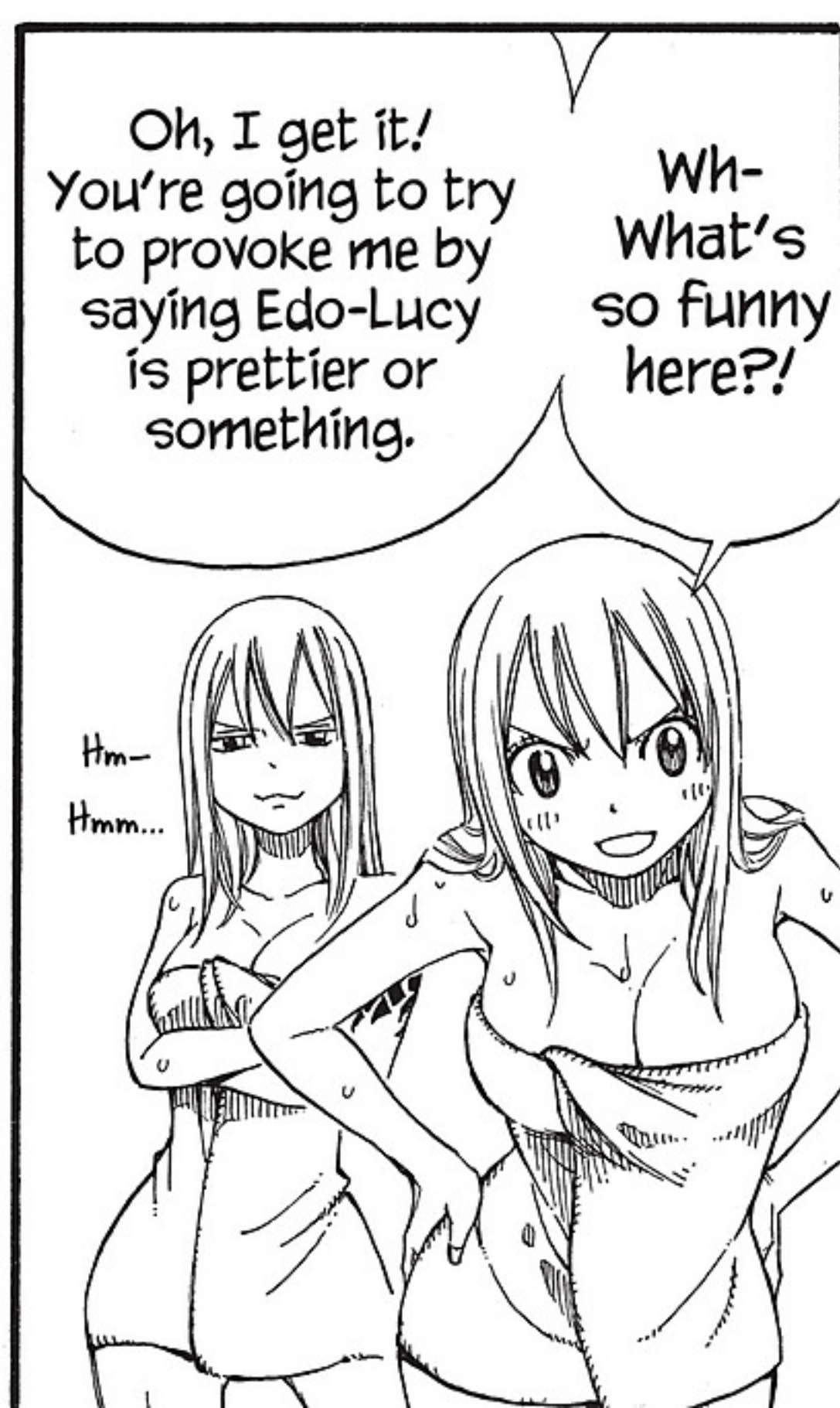
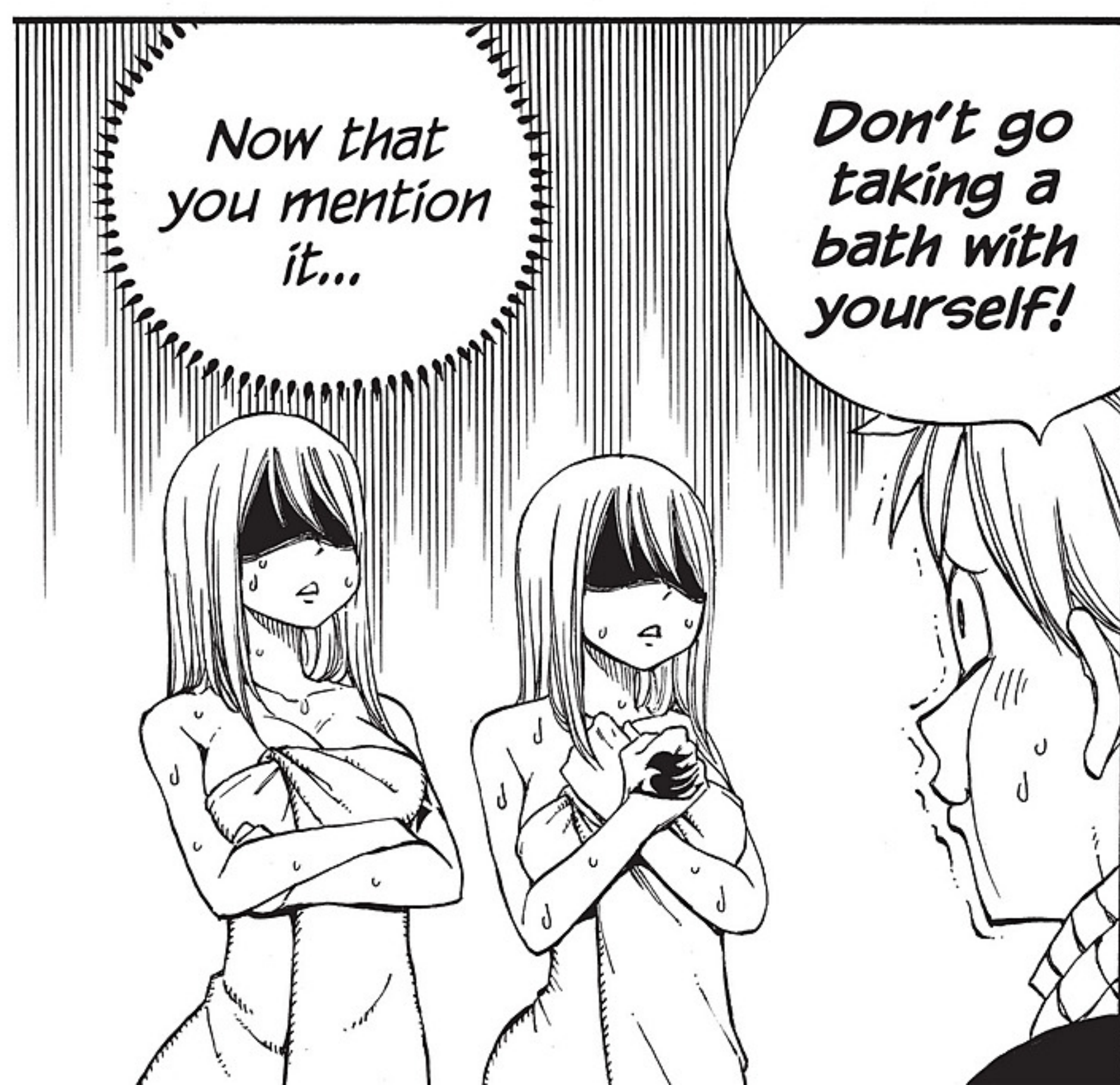
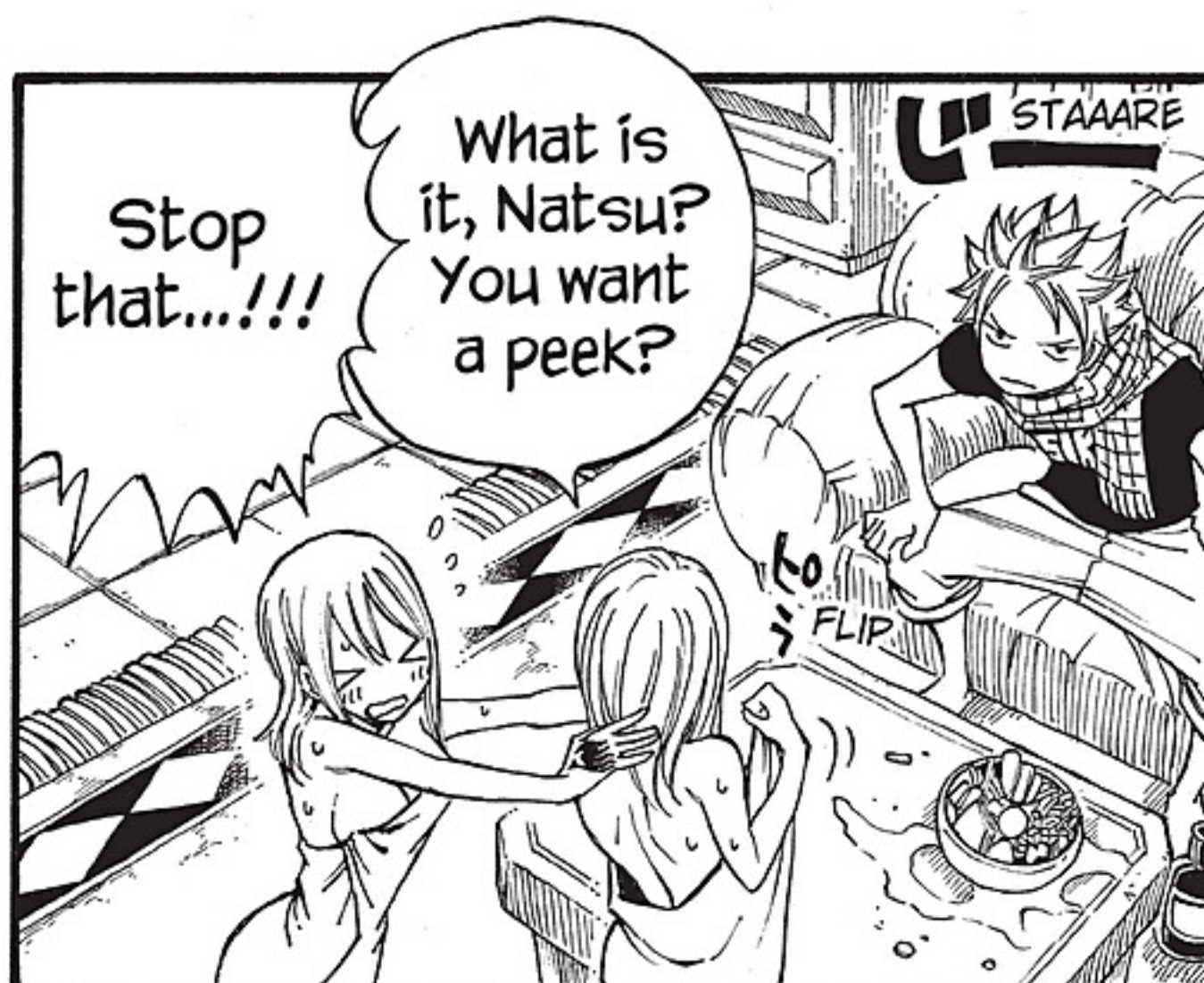
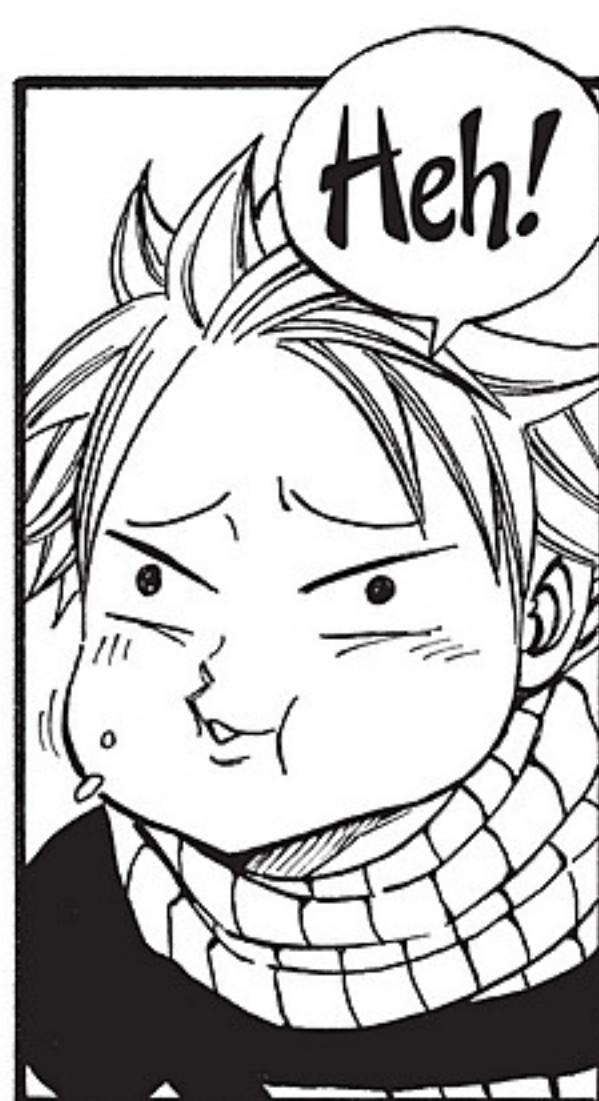
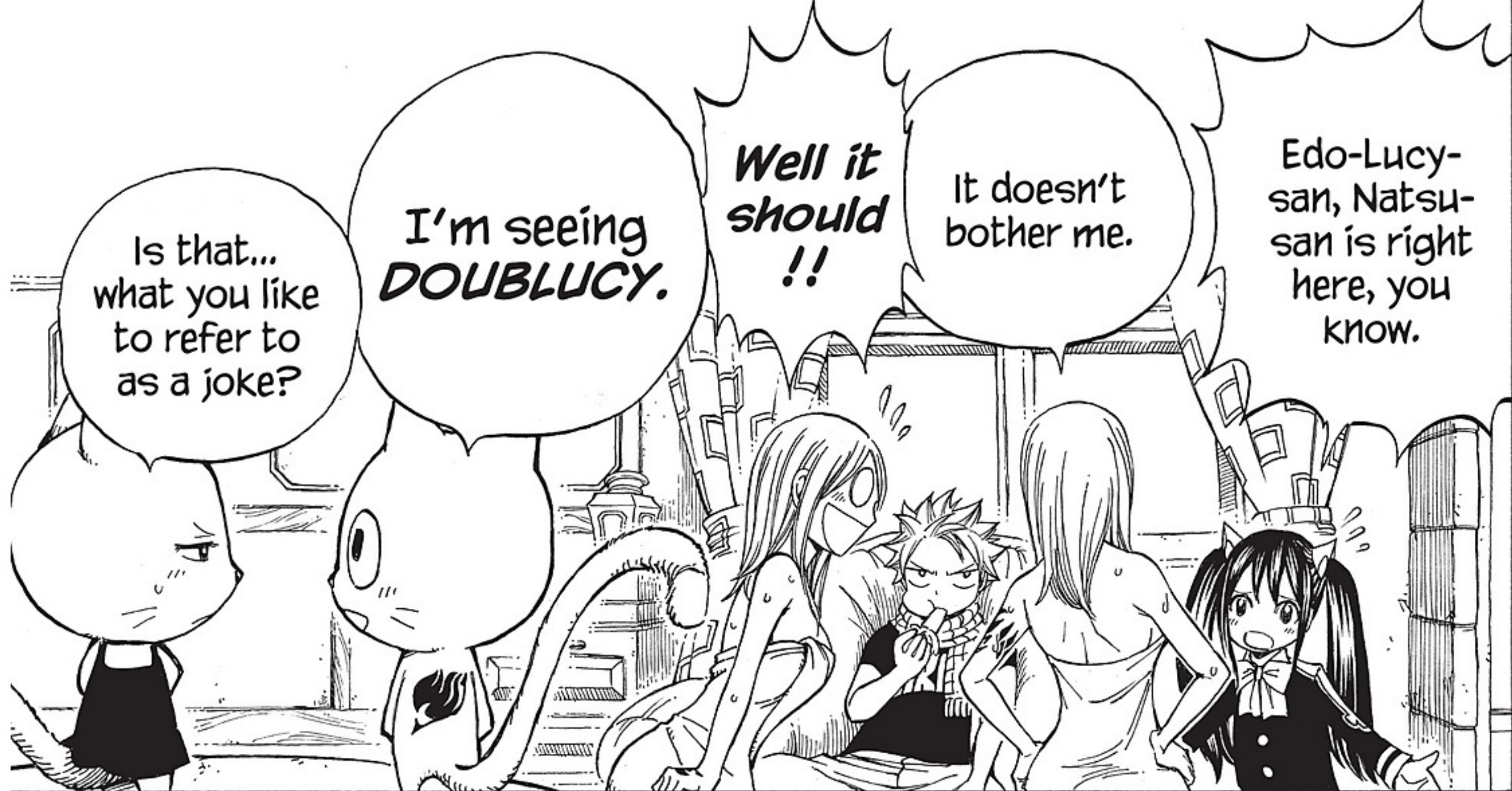


## Chapter 173: Fireball













Don't even *think* of things like that!!



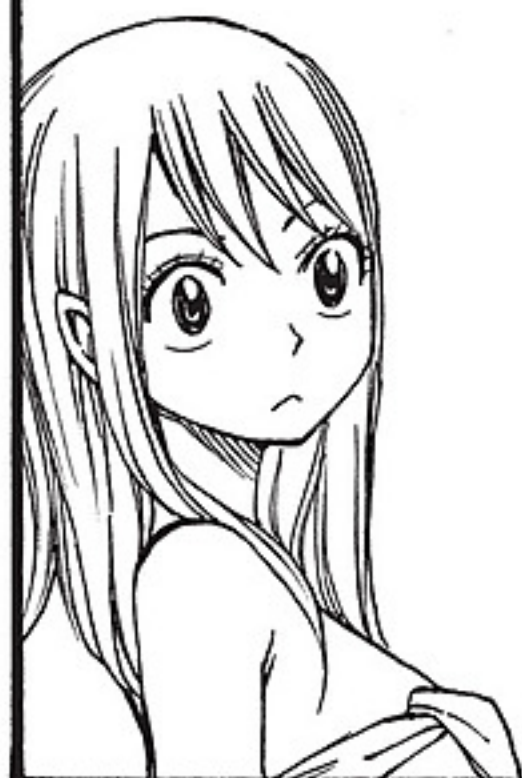
You're not gonna say our butts are the same shape too, are you?!



You two look so much alike, it'll be hard telling you apart!



Yeah... You mean Cancer?



Listen, you... Didn't you say something about how you had a spirit that can cut hair?



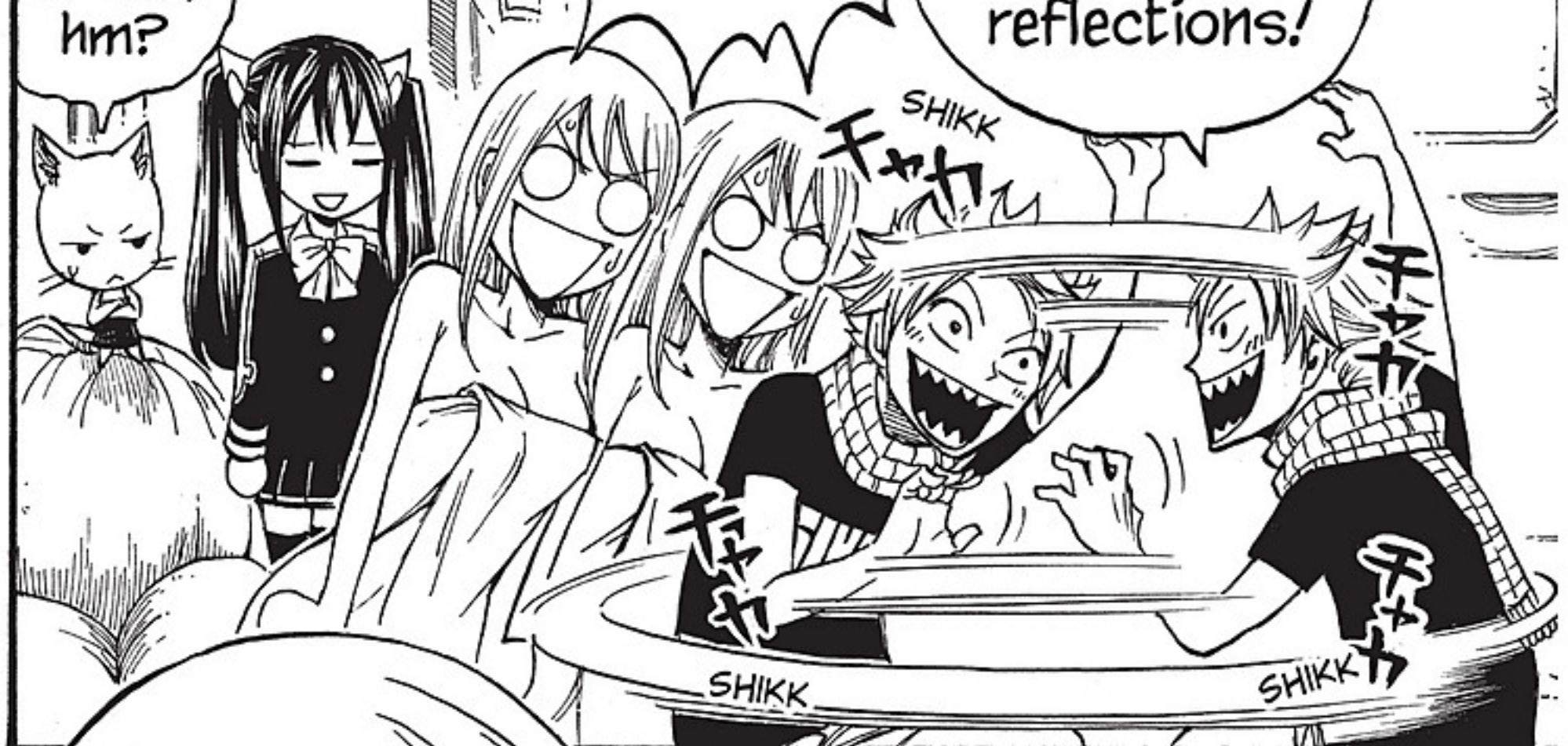
They answered together.

Kind of sad, hm?



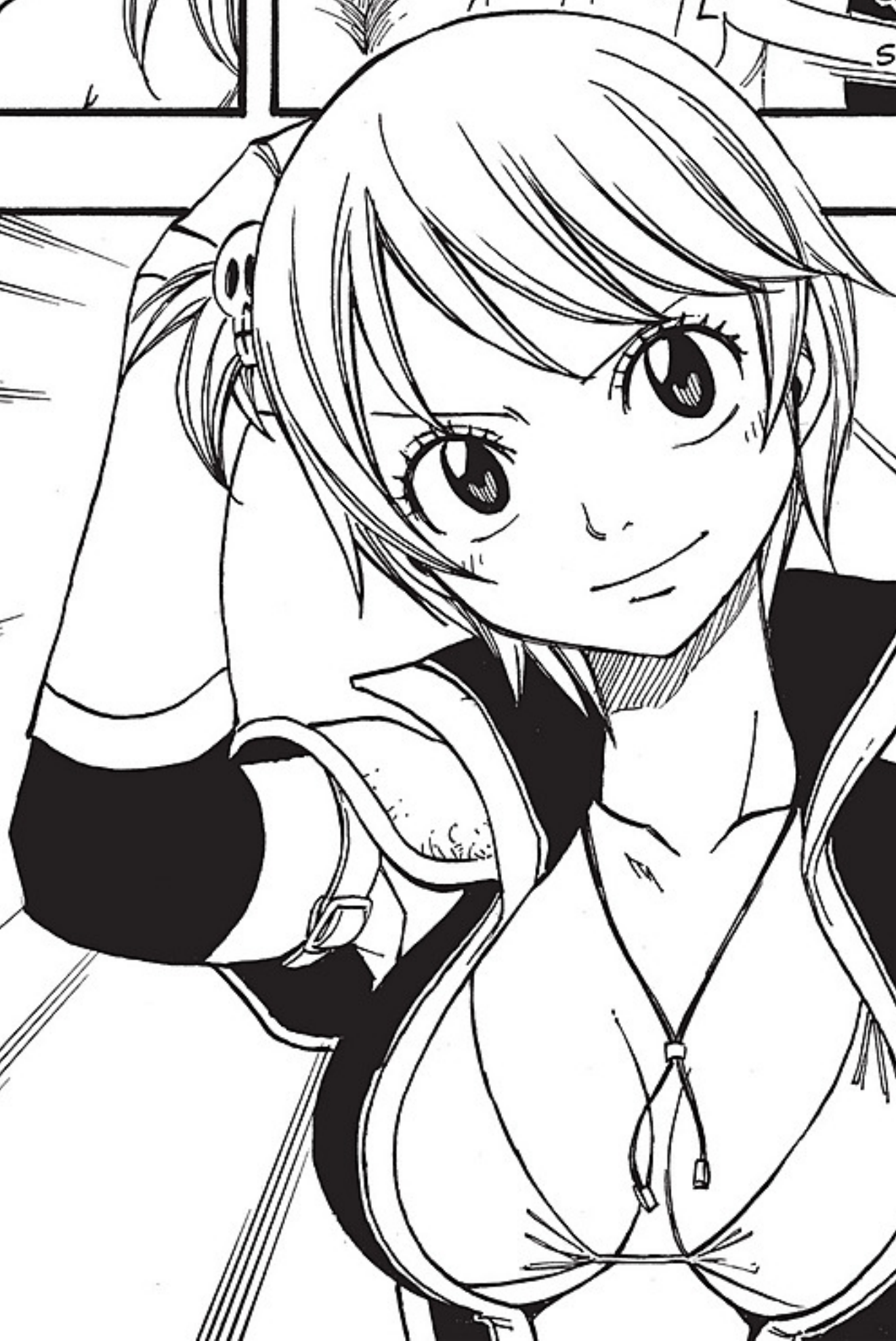
**No, we won't !!!**

Now you can do that act where you pretend to be mirror reflections!



**Yeah!**

This'll make it way less annoying, right?



SHAKING

Is this the style you were thinking of-ebi?







"Pretty girls," huh?

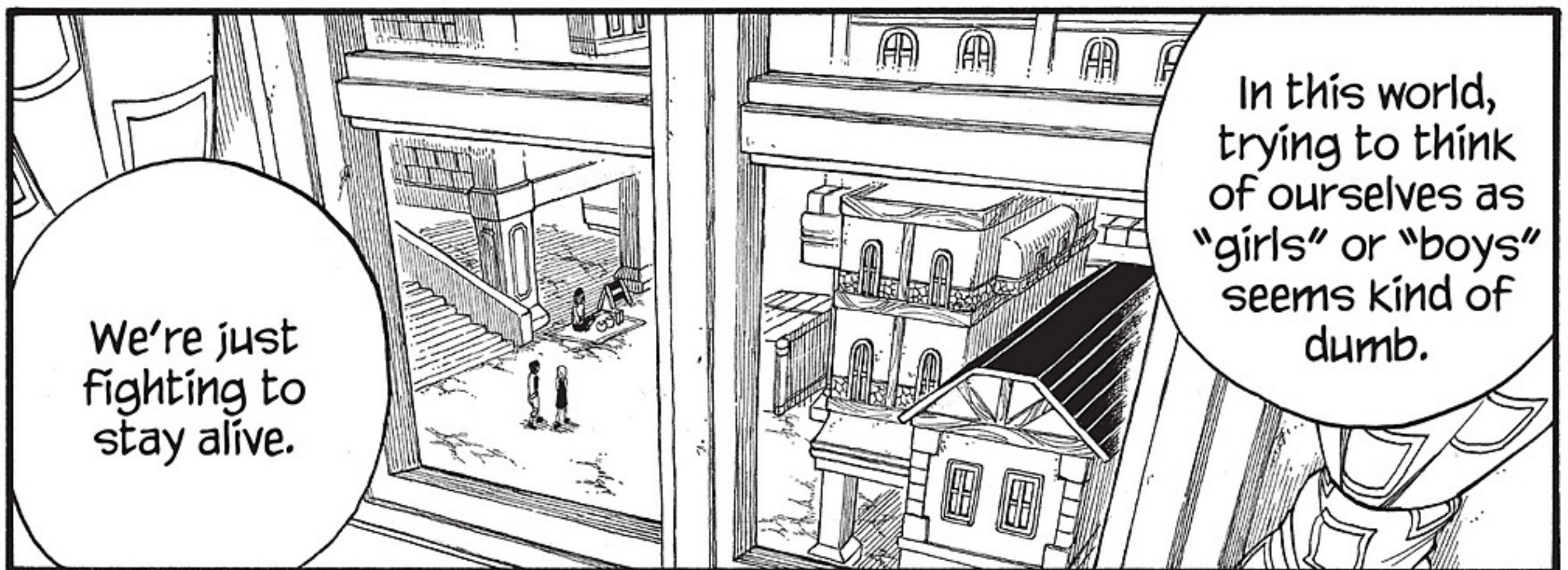


Well... all the pretty girls place an emphasis on their hair-ebi.



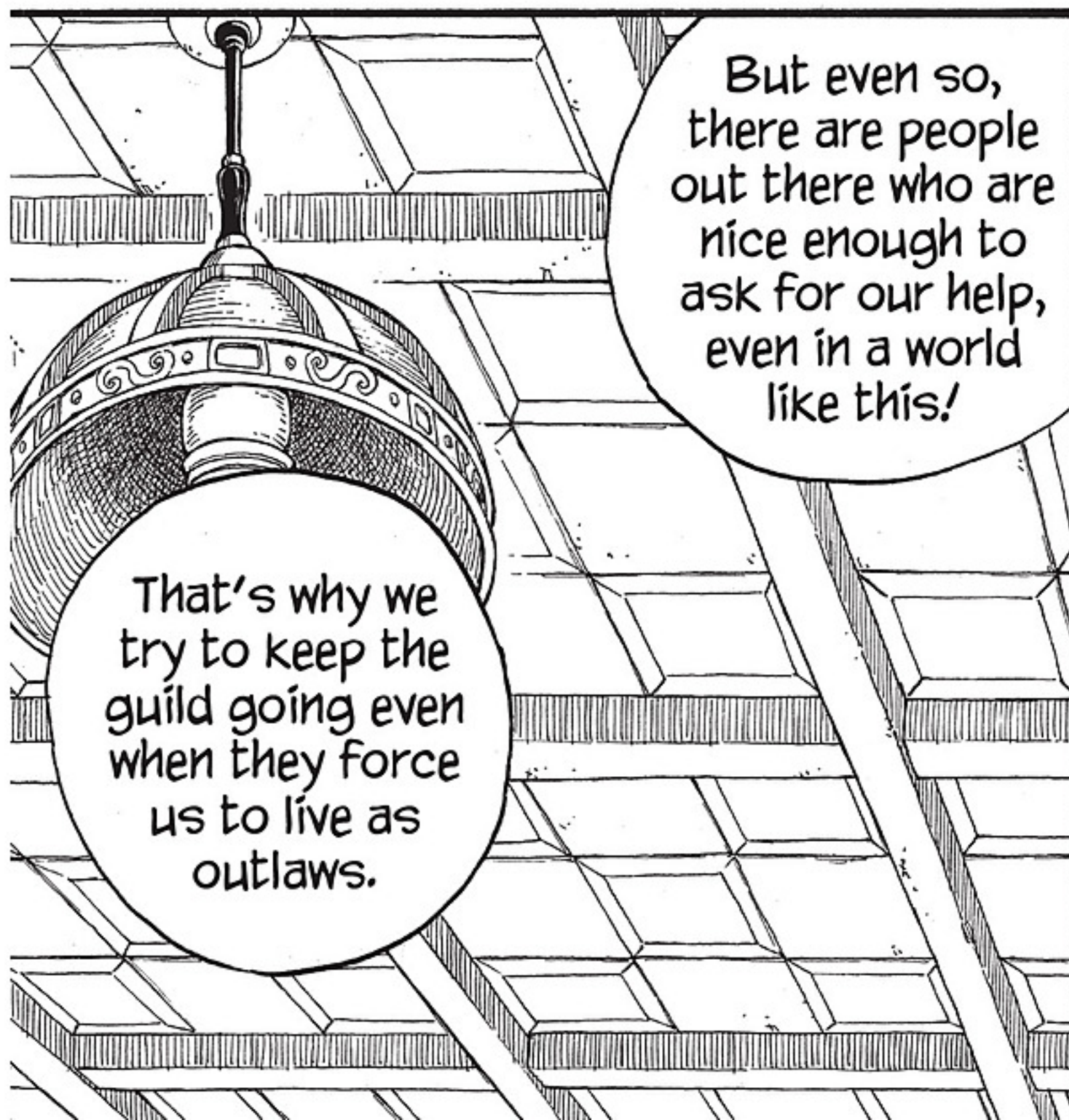
Hm? Do Earth-land people have some fixation on keeping their hair?

You sure you wanted to do this?



We're just fighting to stay alive.

In this world, trying to think of ourselves as "girls" or "boys" seems kind of dumb.



That's why we try to keep the guild going even when they force us to live as outlaws.

But even so, there are people out there who are nice enough to ask for our help, even in a world like this!

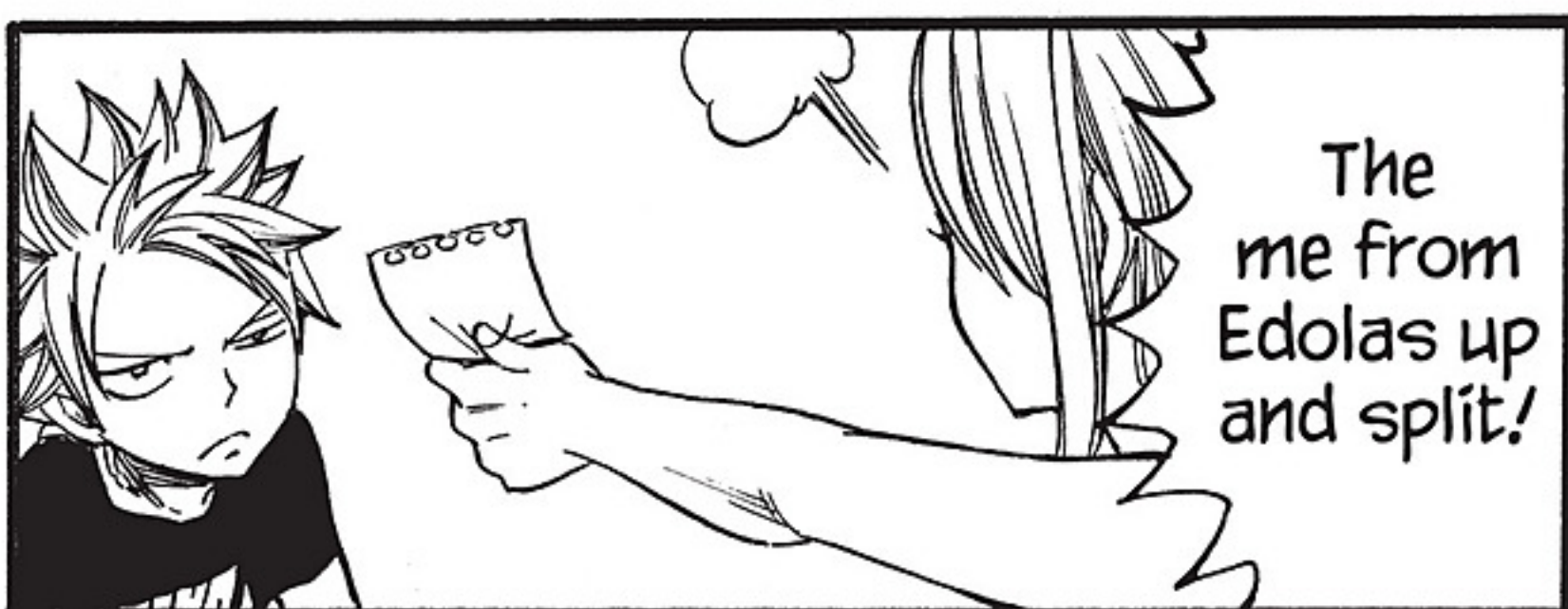
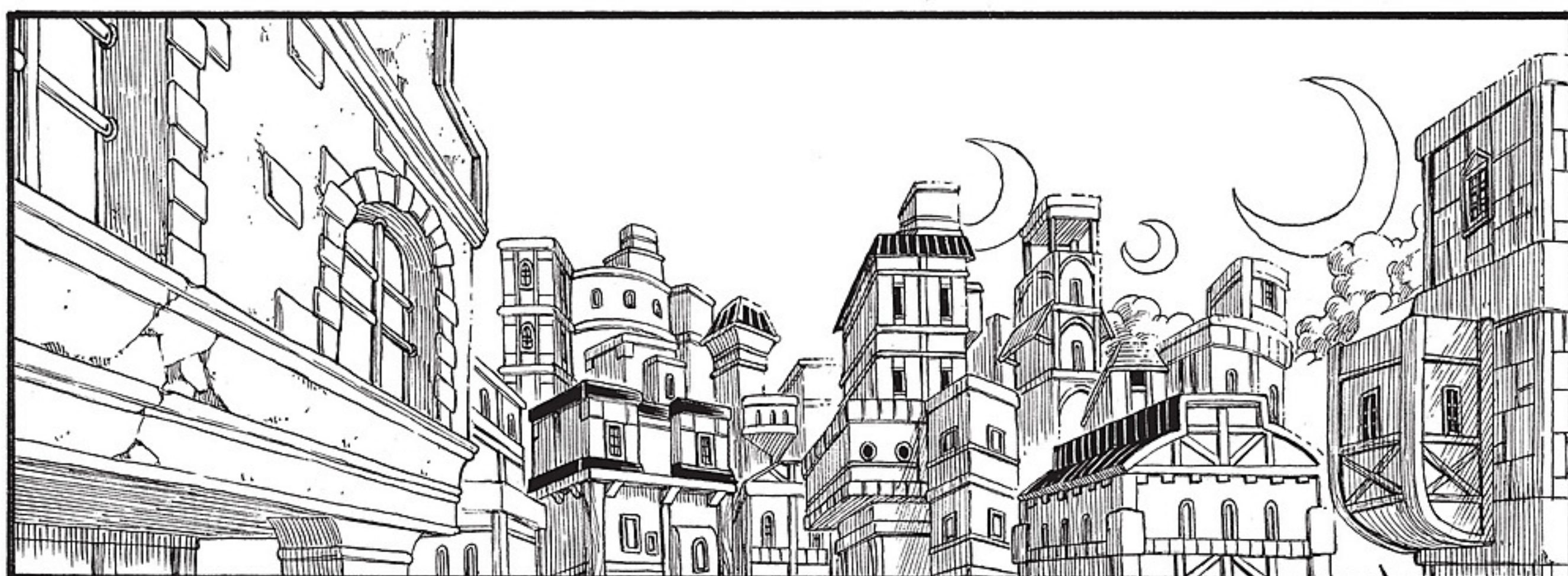
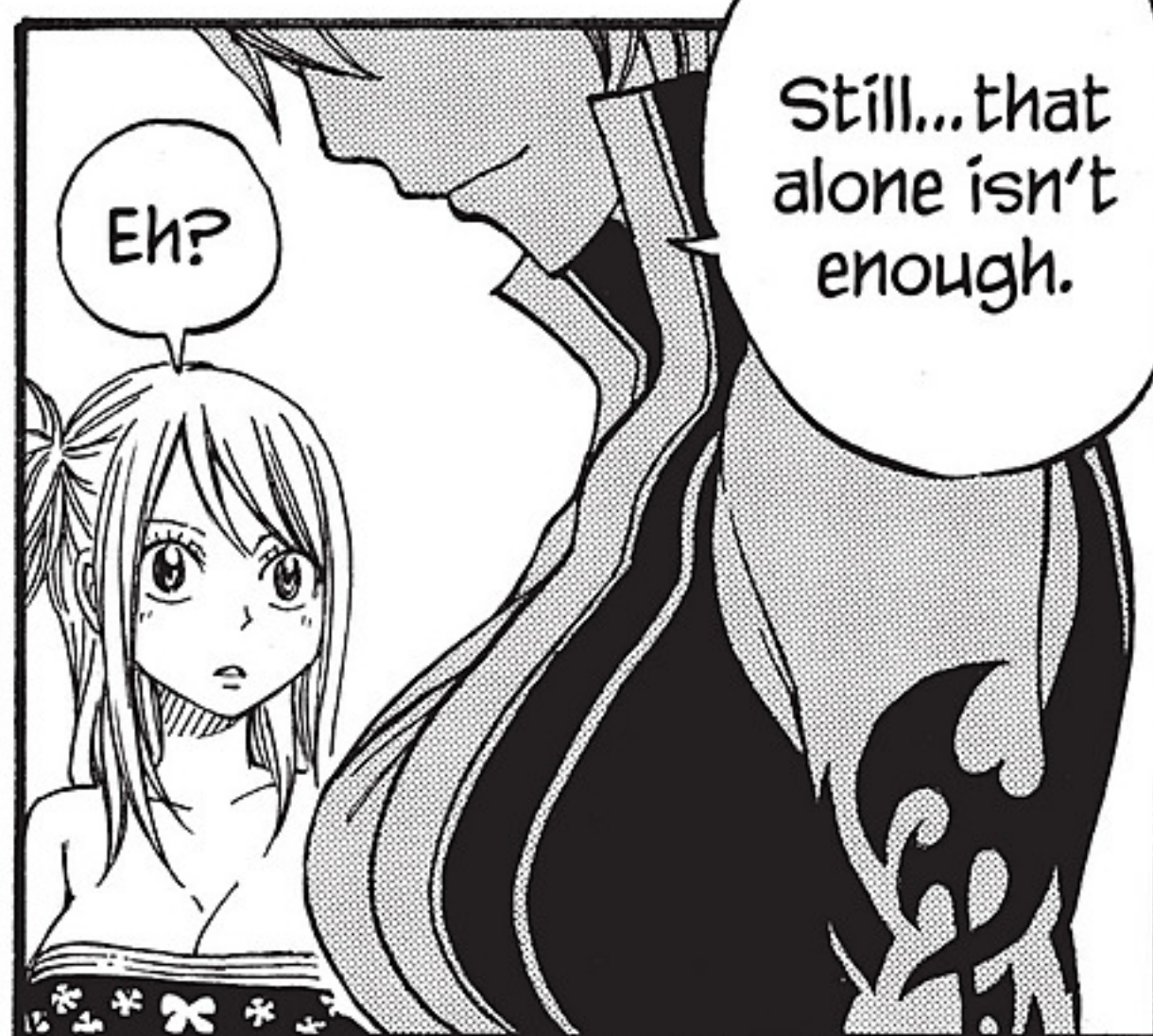


Sure, it looks that way. If we don't force out a laugh now and then our hearts would break like glass!

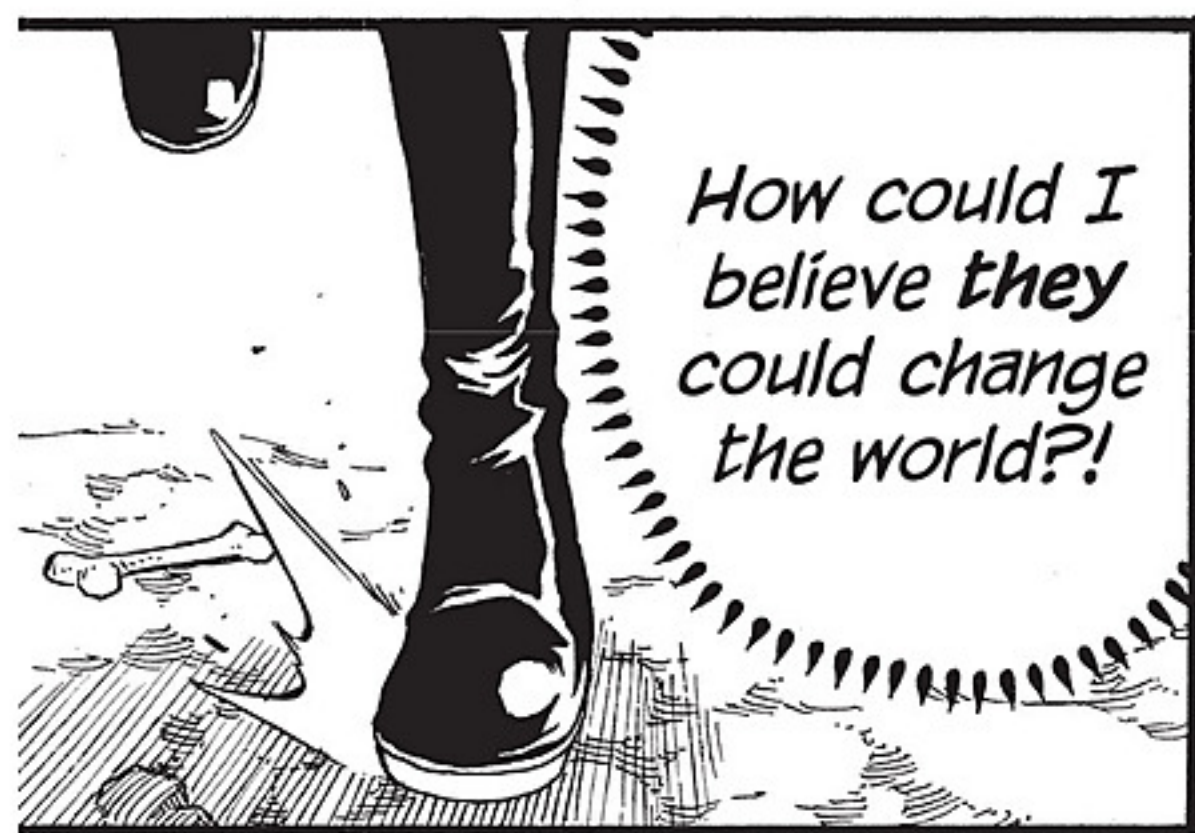
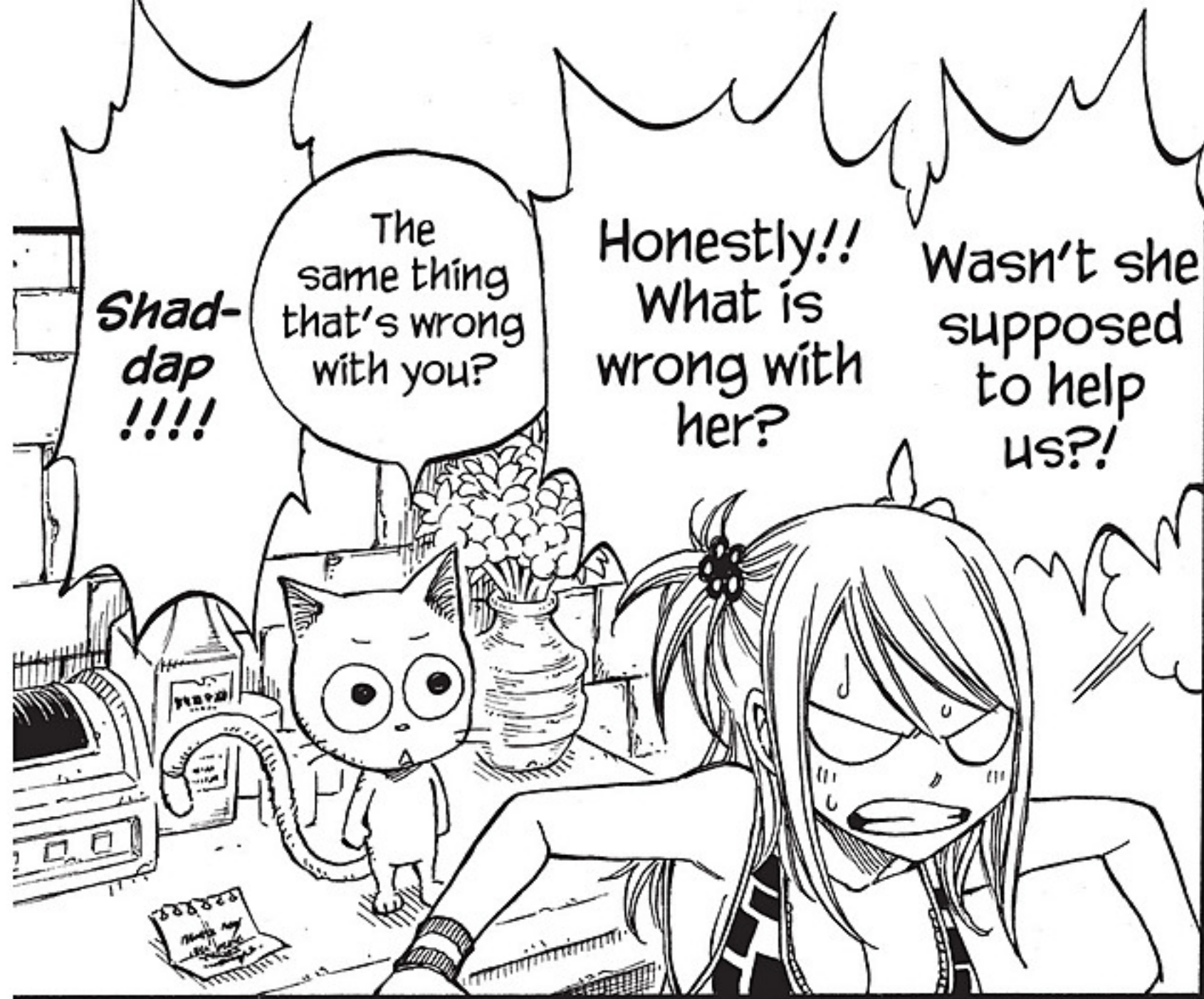


But the guild I saw looked like it would be a lot of fun!











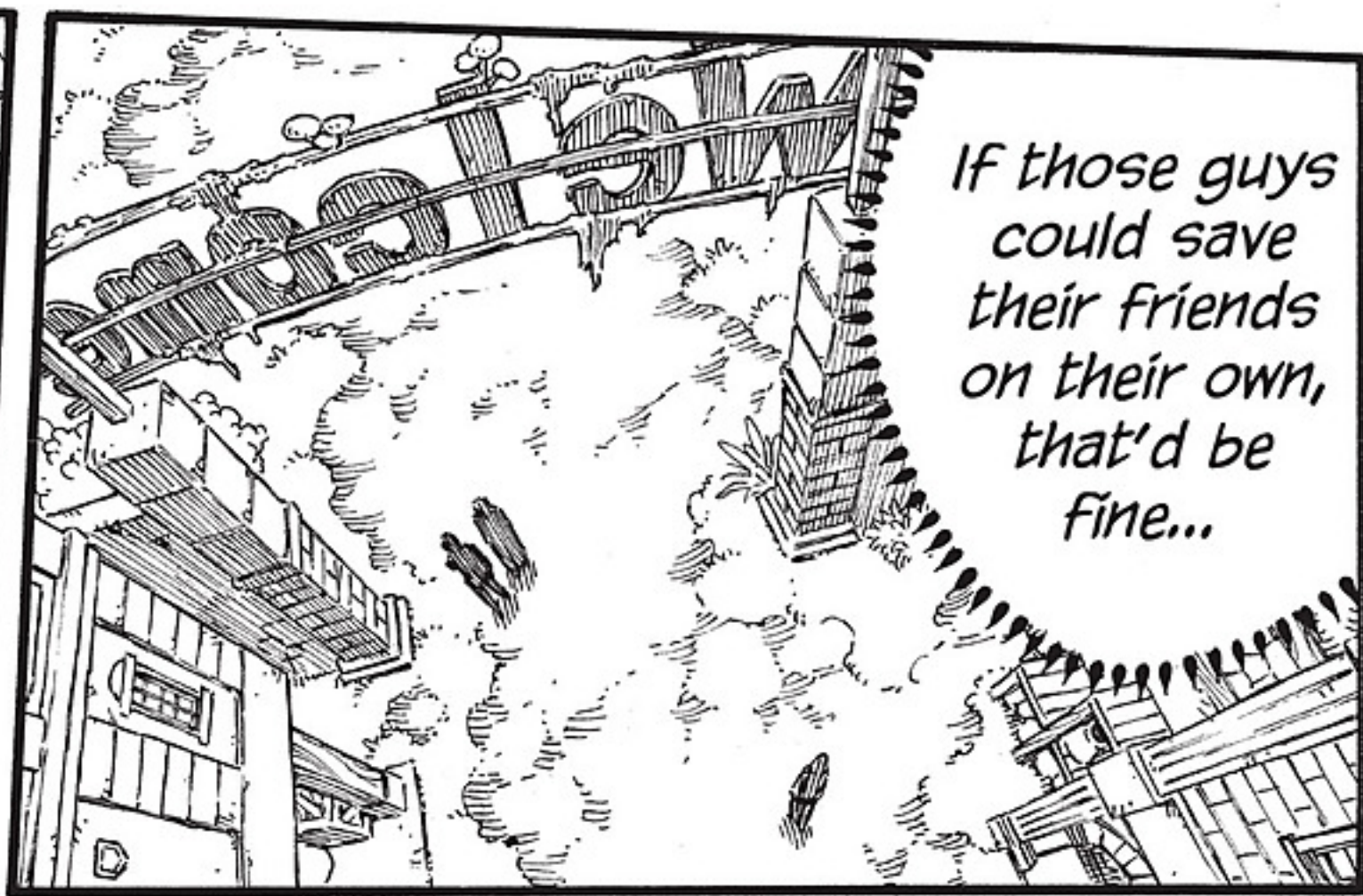


If we really  
want the  
world to  
change that  
much...

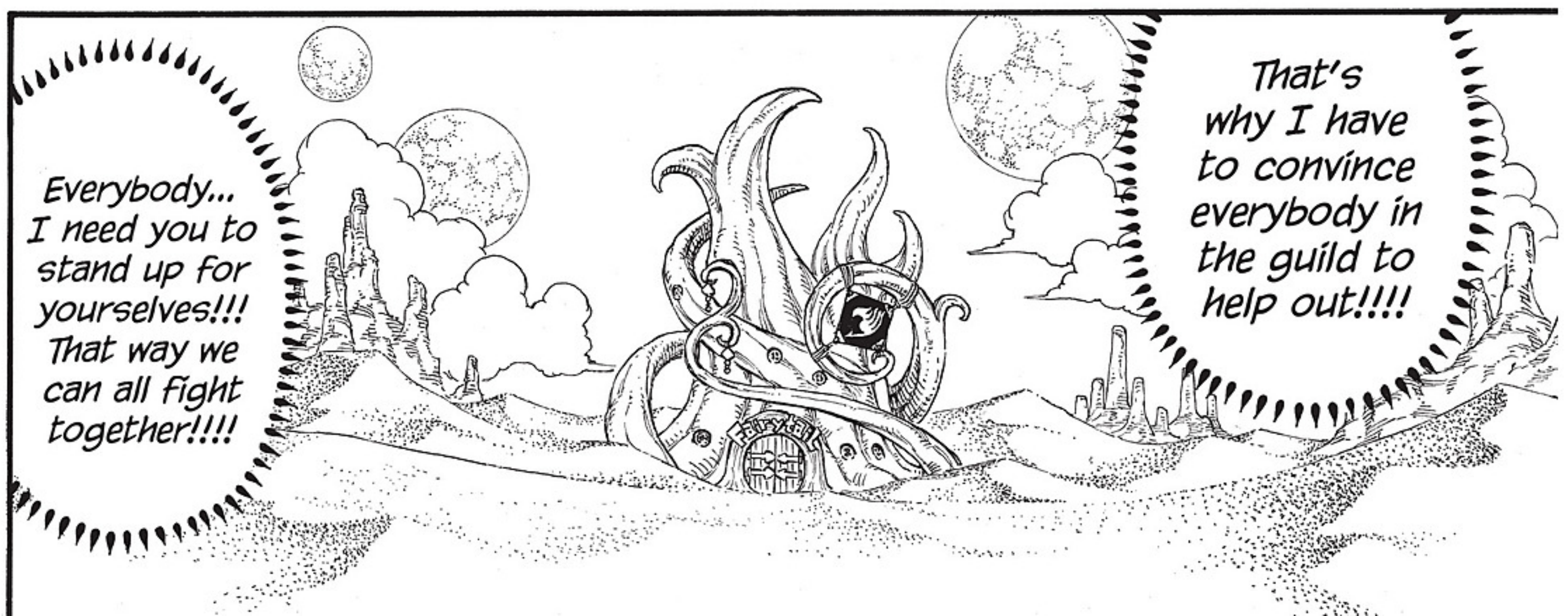
...then we  
have to  
change it  
ourselves!!



But it'll  
be tough  
facing  
the whole  
Kingdom!



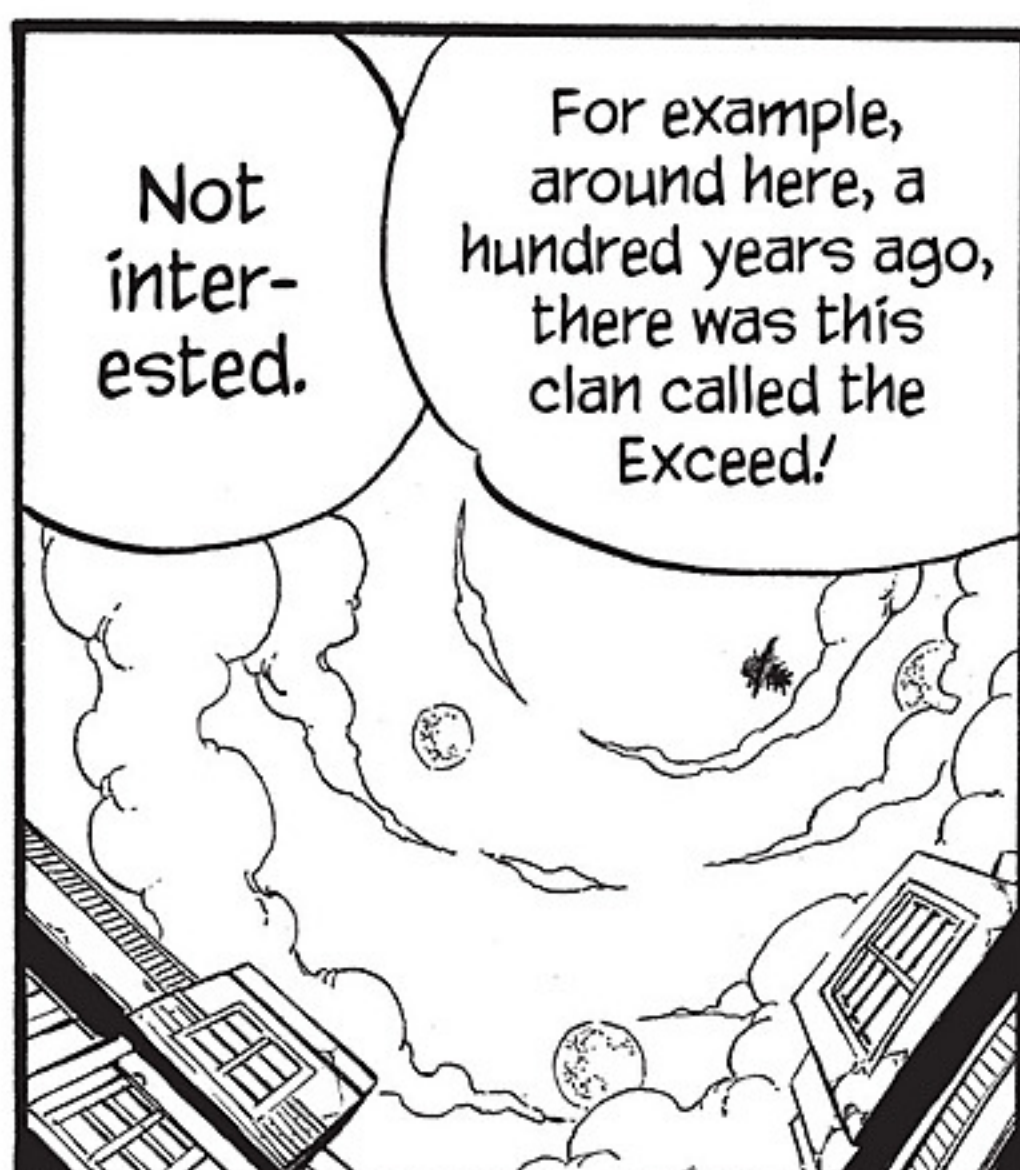
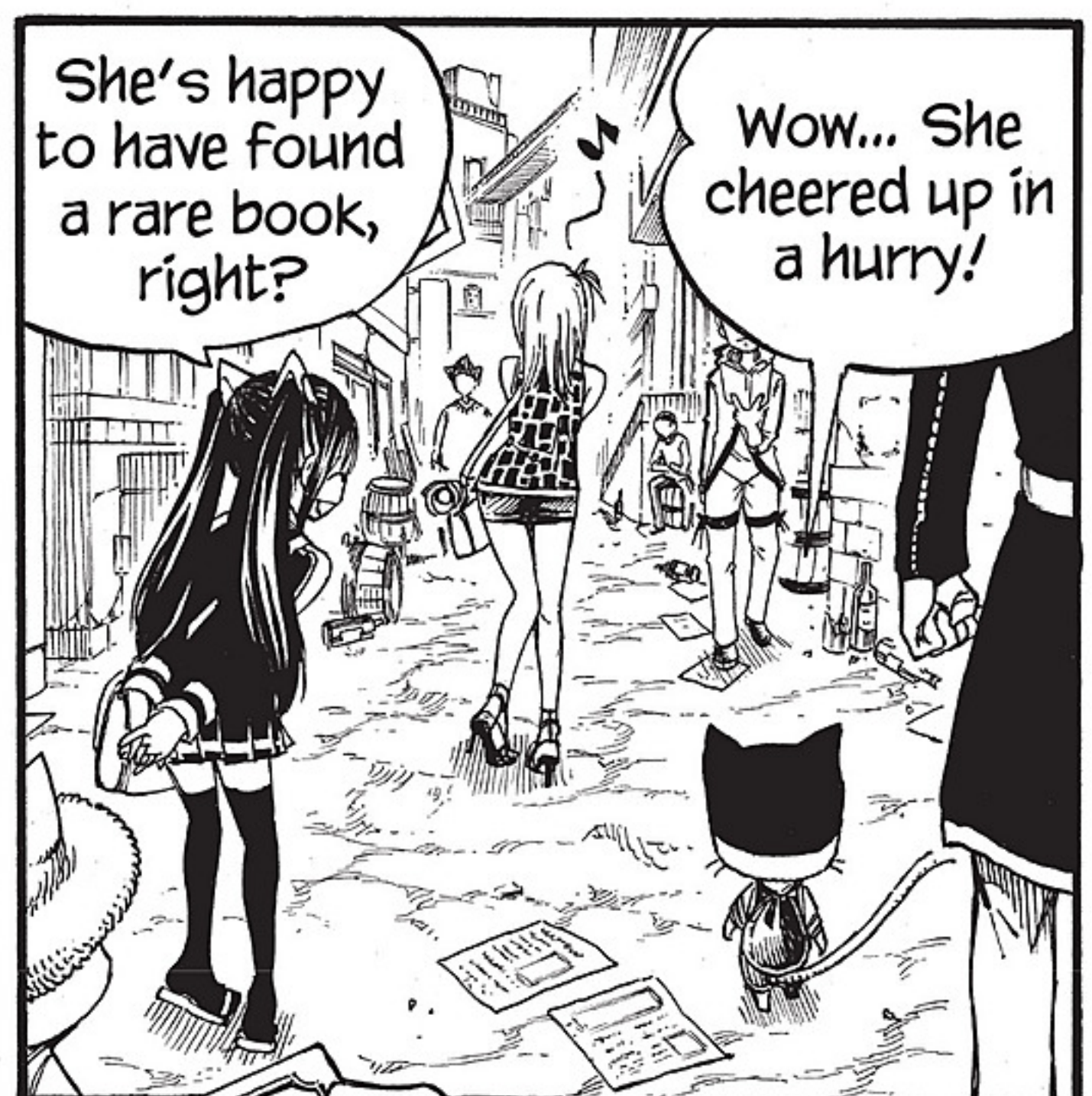
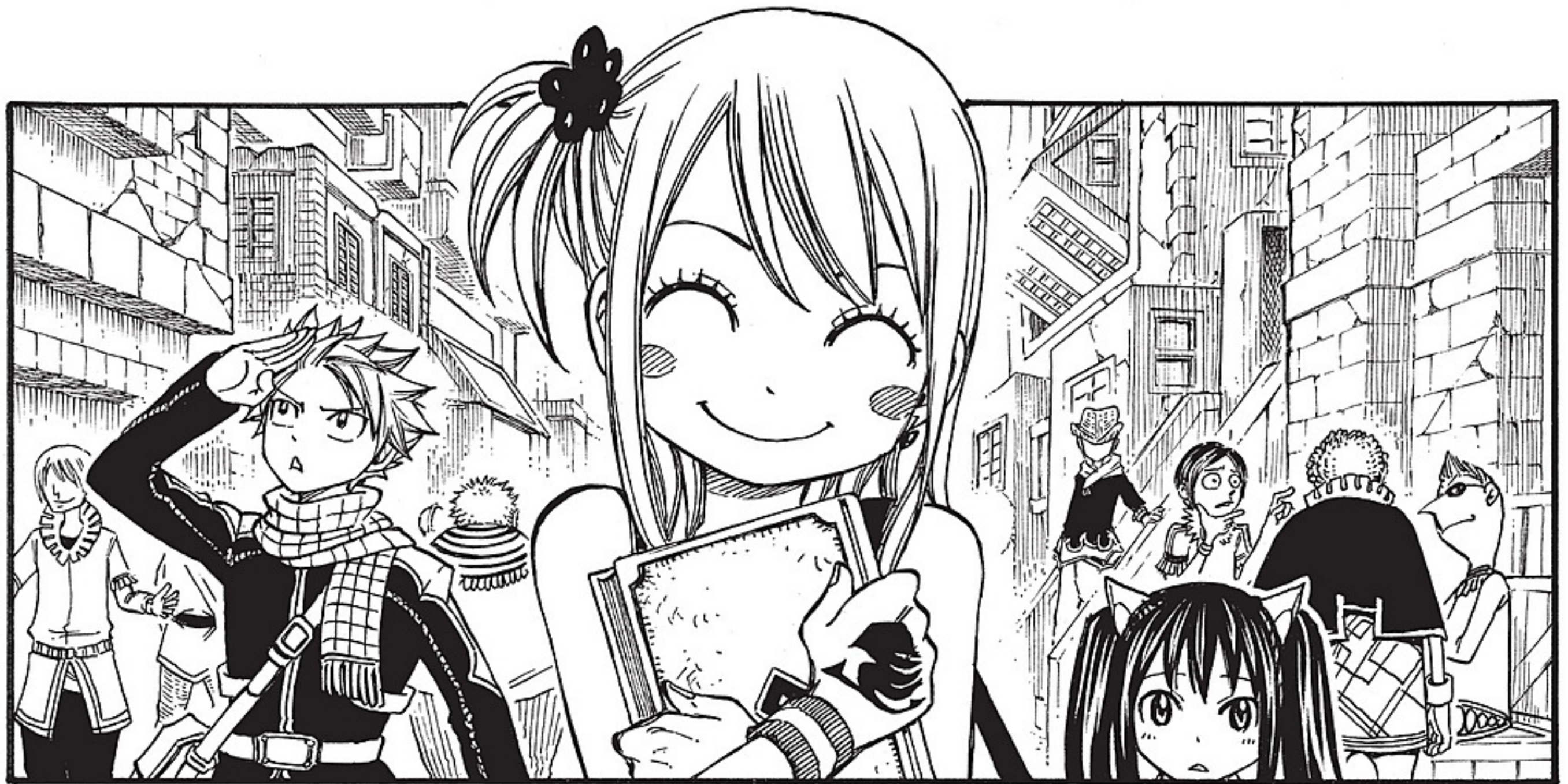
If those guys  
could save  
their friends  
on their own,  
that'd be  
fine...



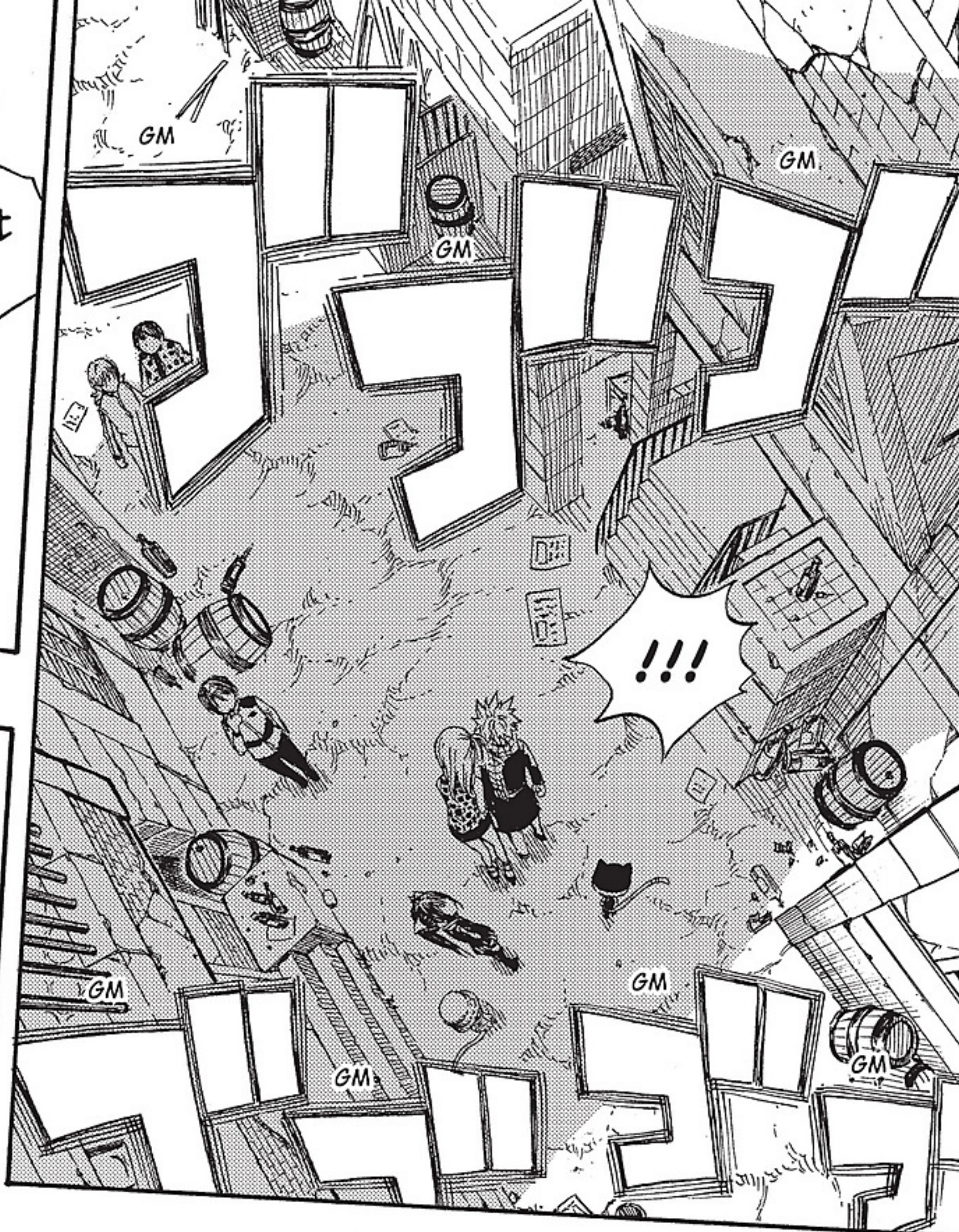
Everybody...  
I need you to  
stand up for  
yourselves!!!  
That way we  
can all fight  
together!!!!

That's  
why I have  
to convince  
everybody in  
the guild to  
help out!!!!

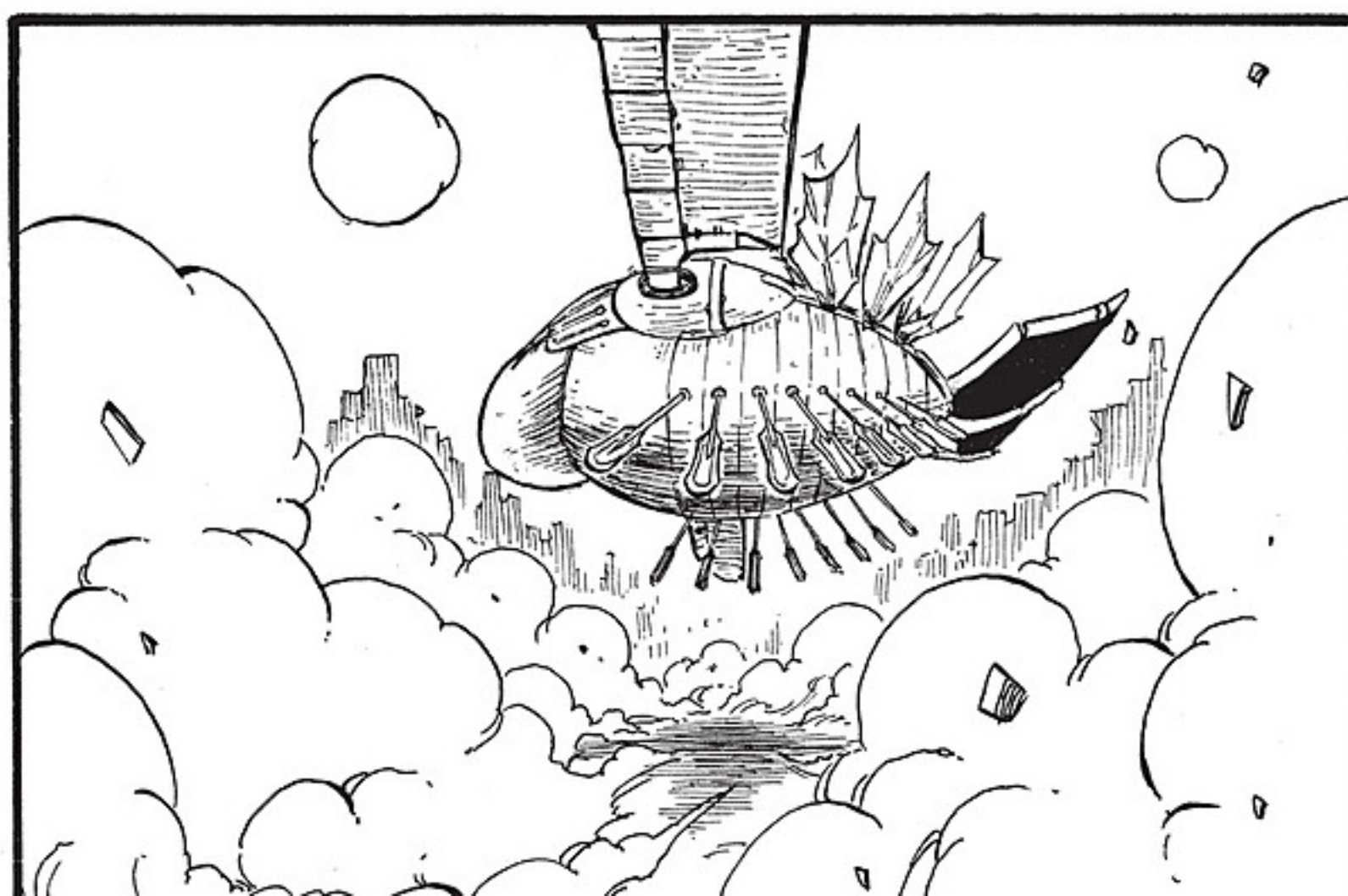
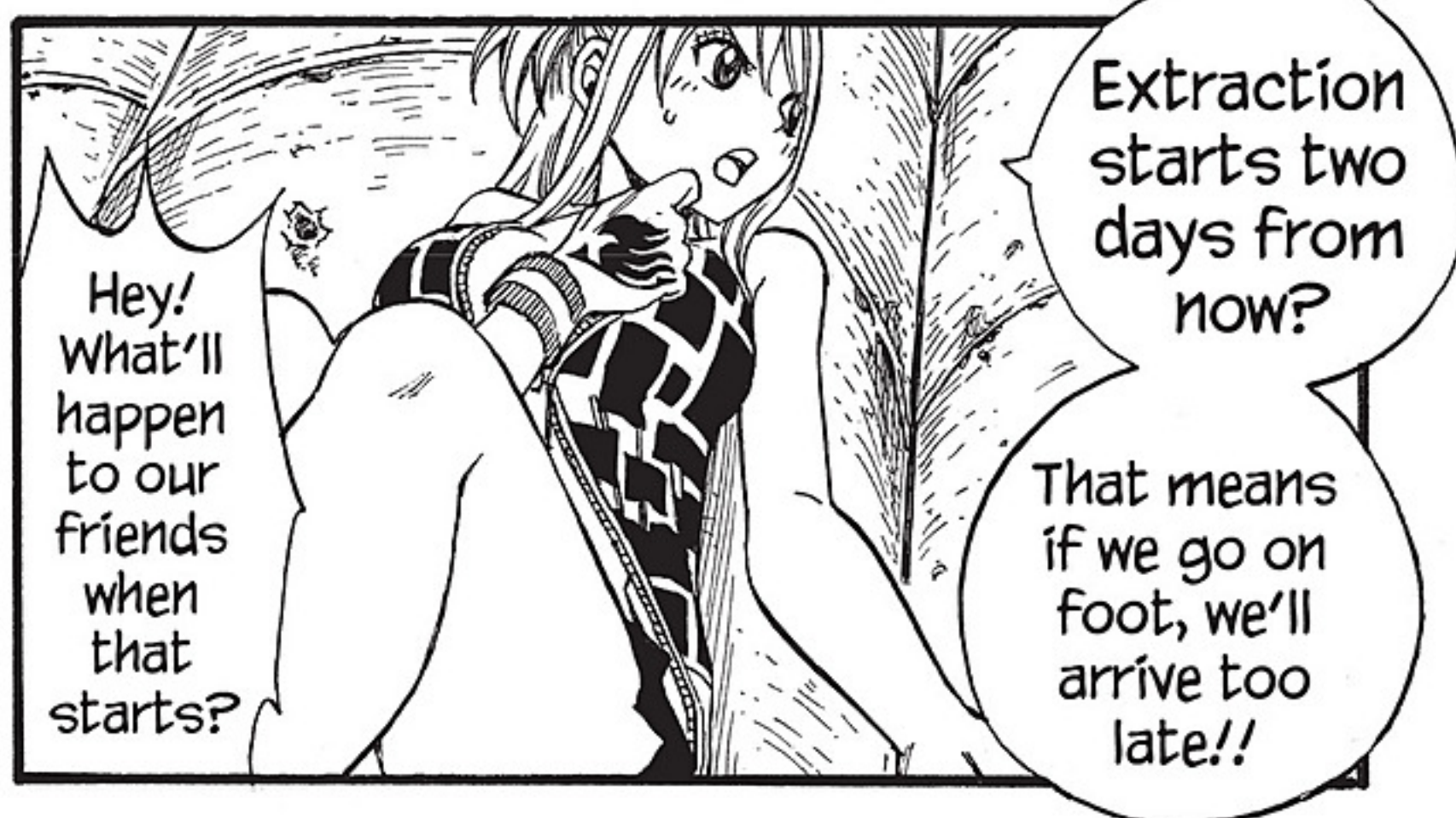




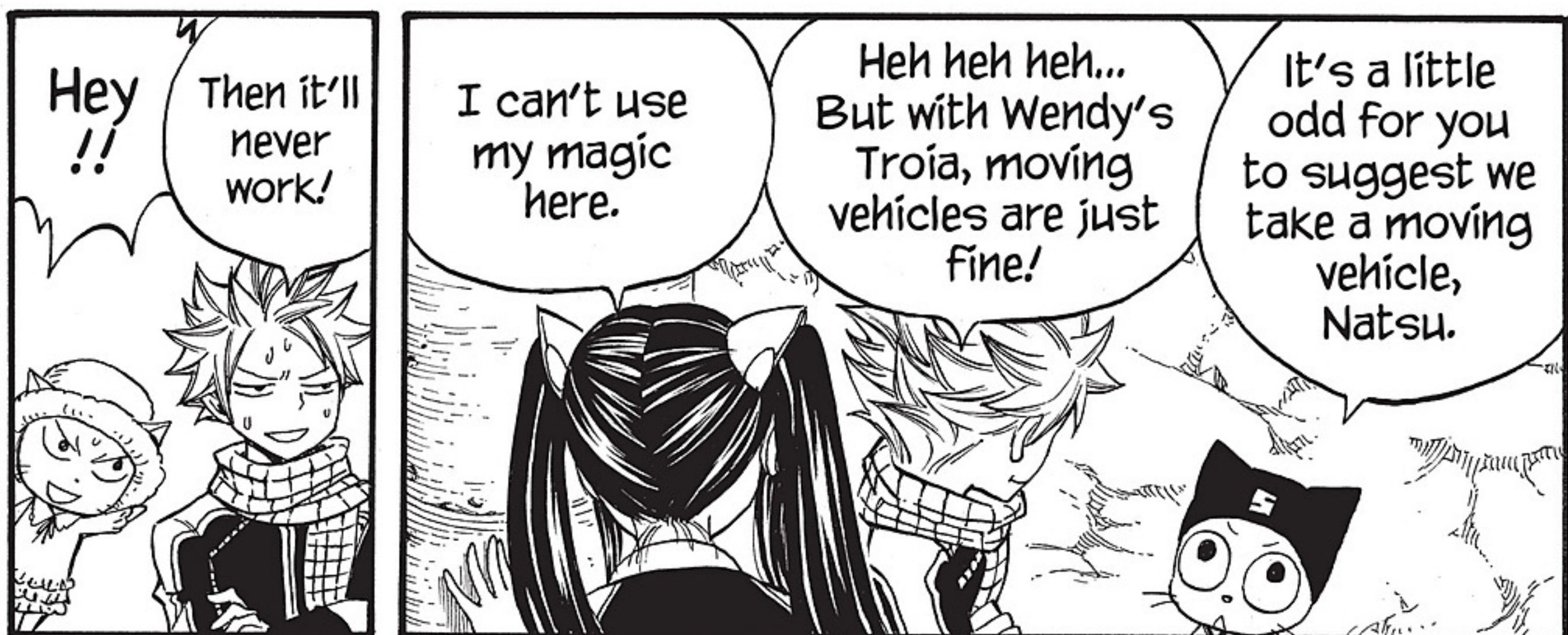
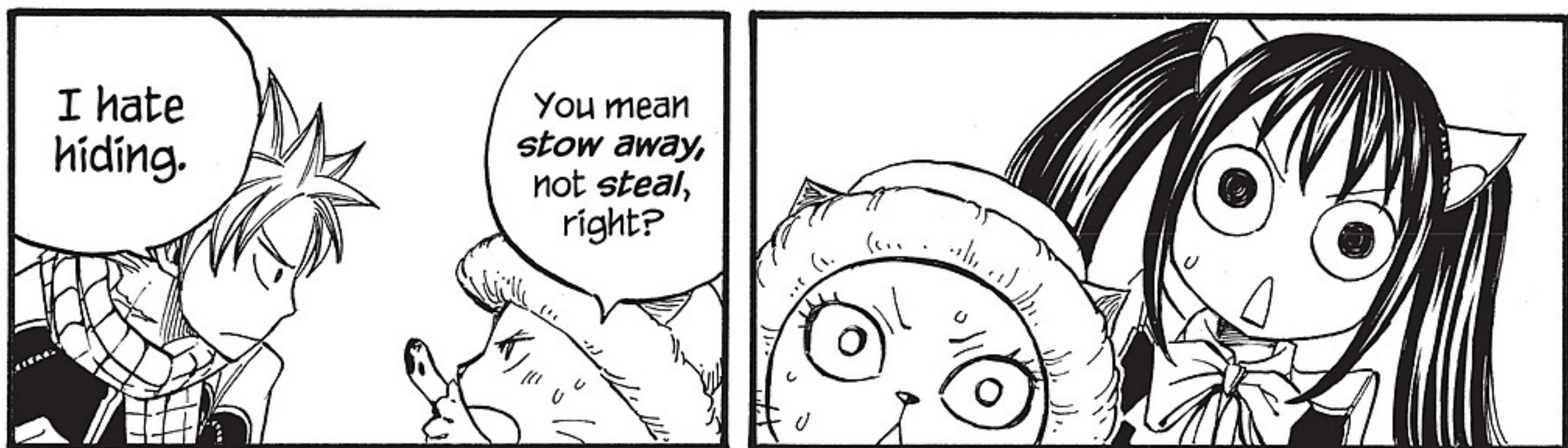




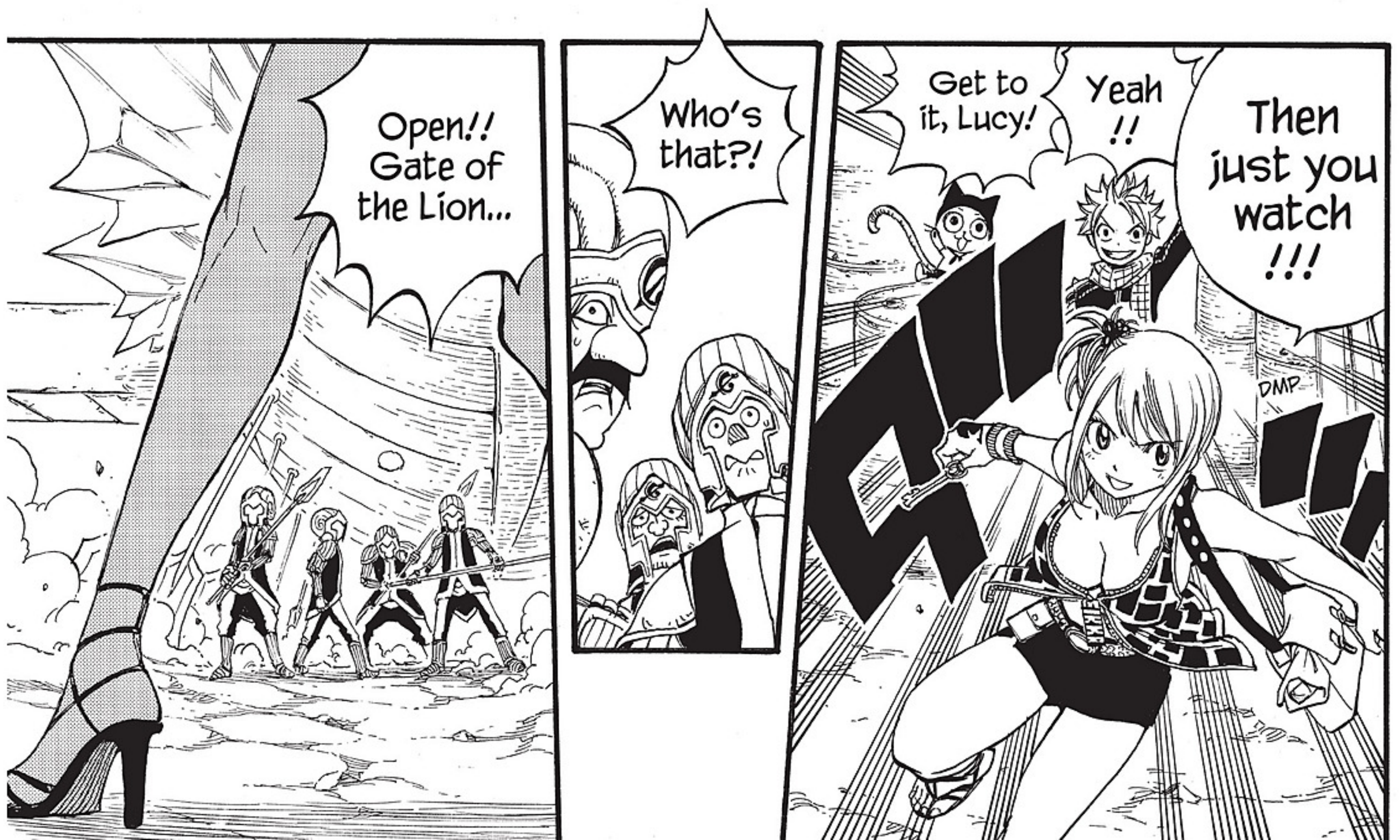
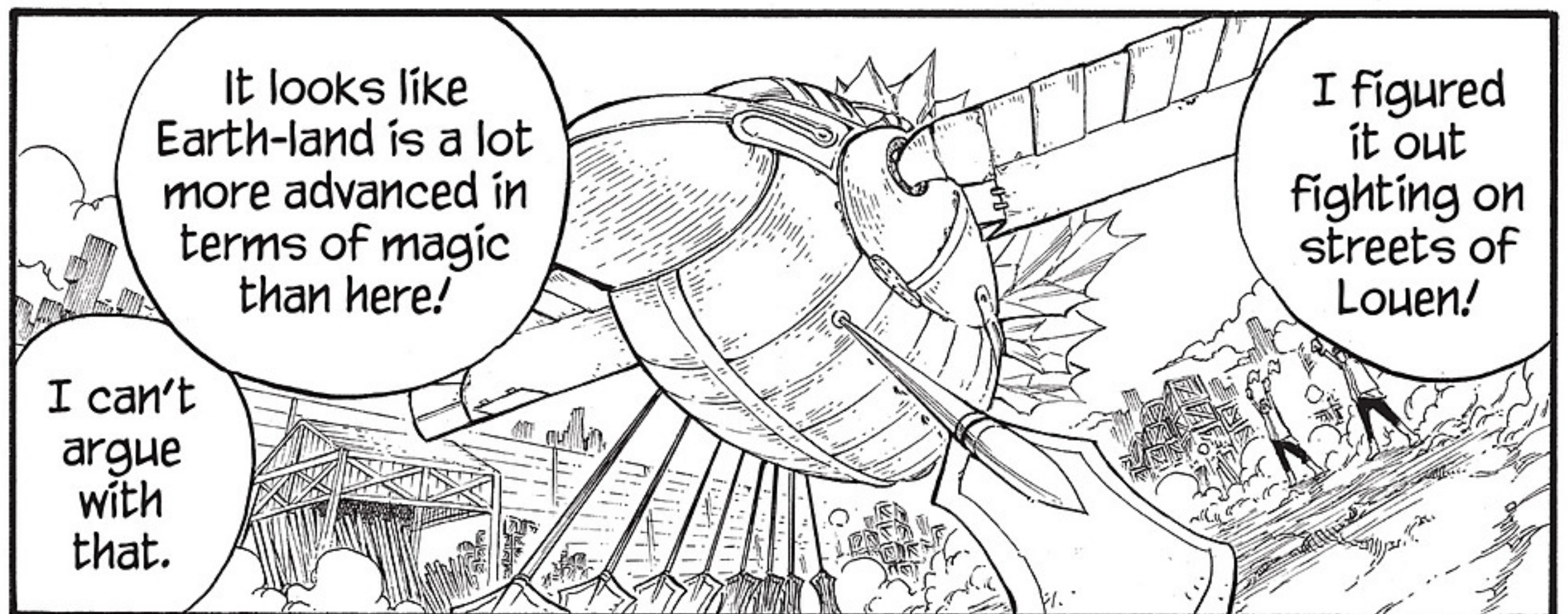
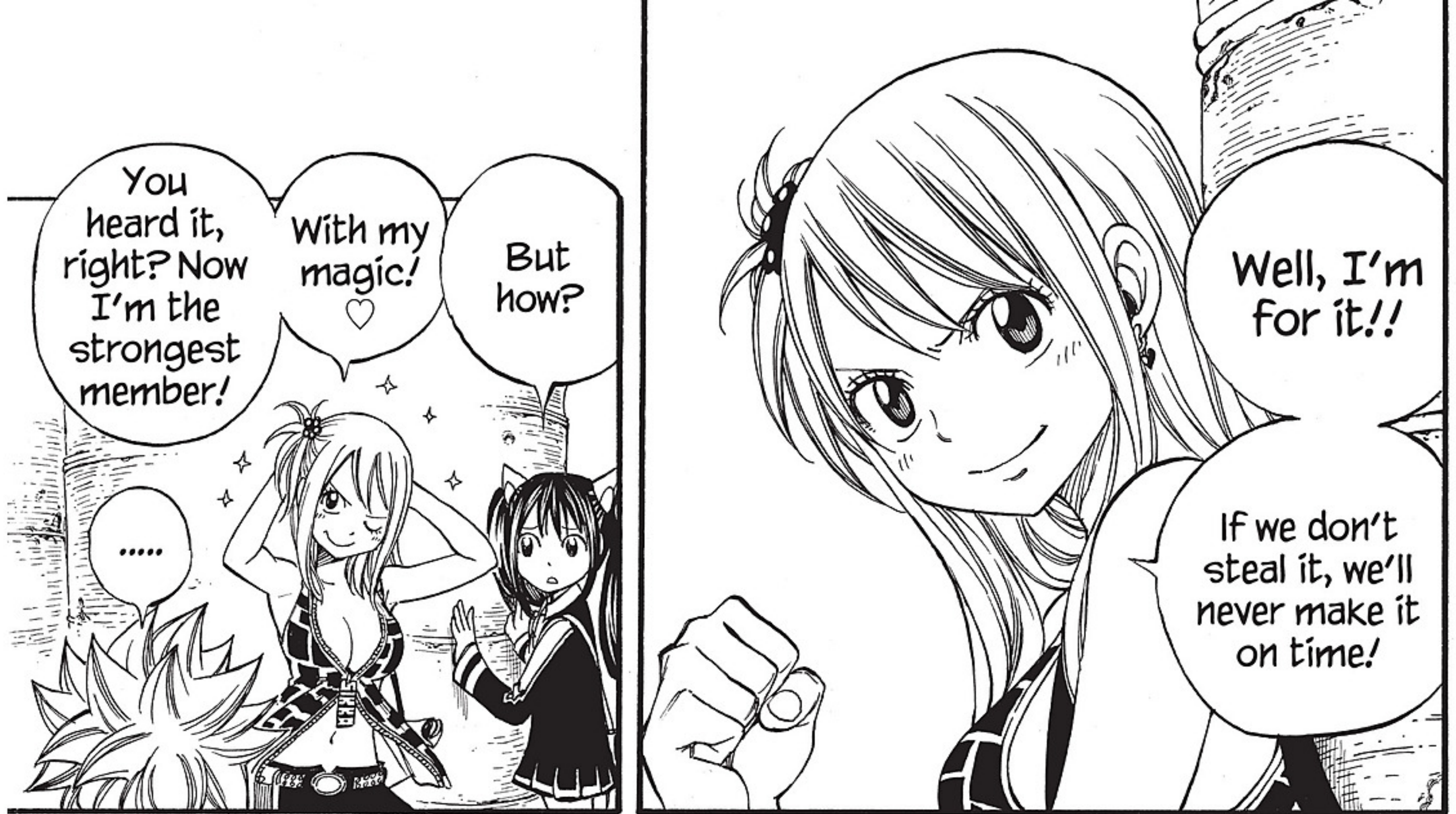
















.....  
Wait...  
Huh?!

Please  
forgive me,  
Princess.

**LOKE**  
**!!!!**

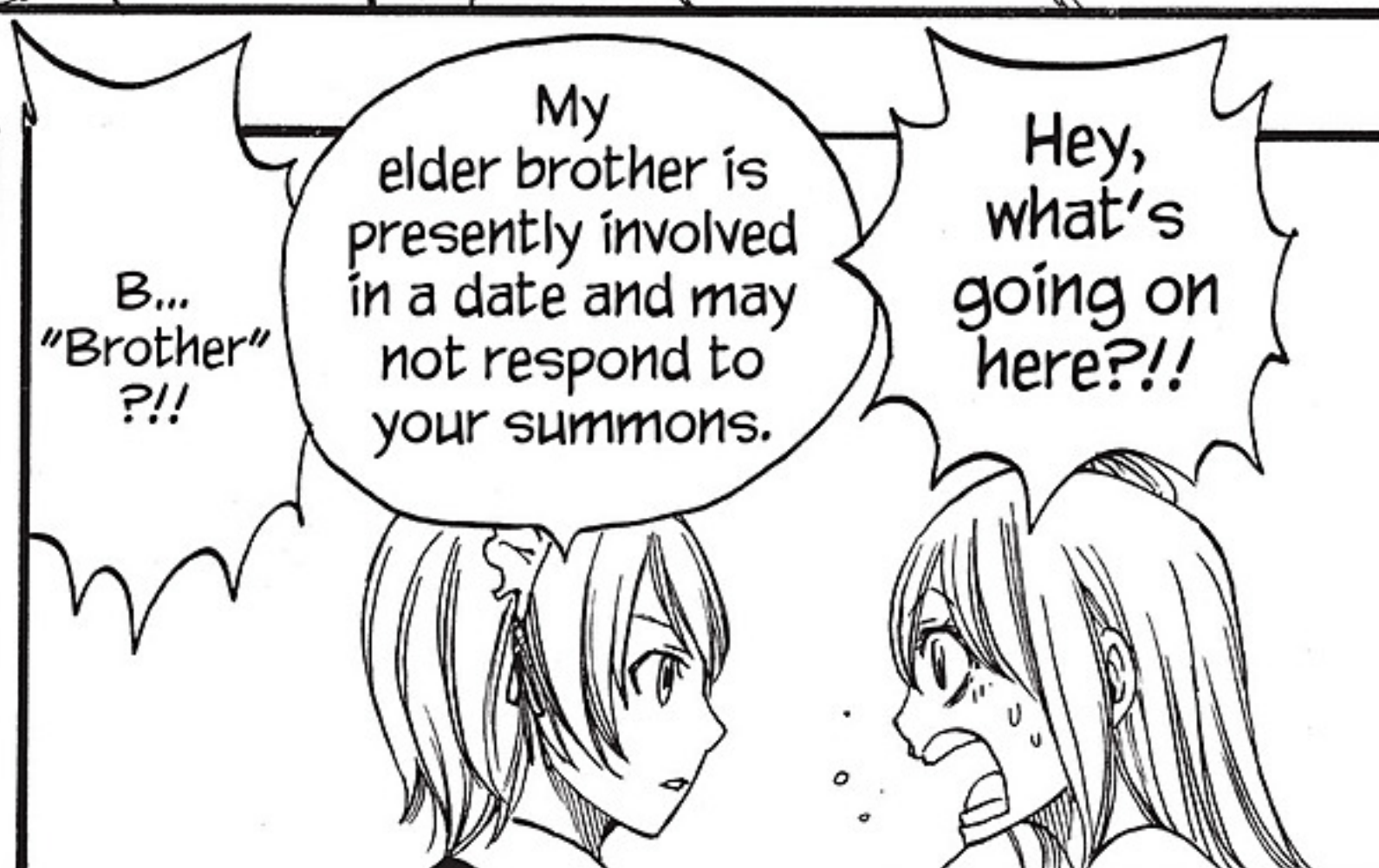
It's  
Virgo!

BWOWOON



Yes... He has  
previously  
asked me to  
refer to him in  
that fashion.

What kind  
of idiot is  
he?!!



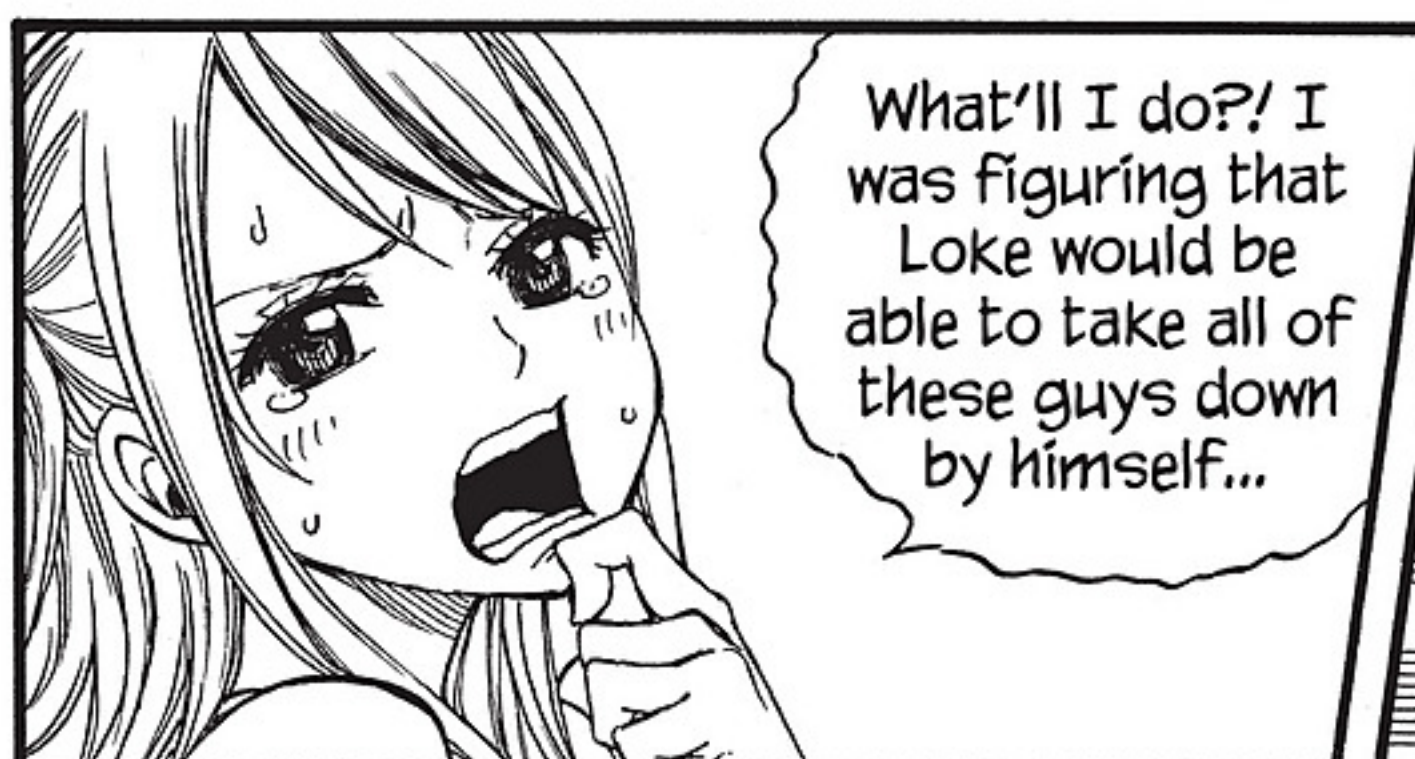
B...  
"Brother"  
?!!

My  
elder brother is  
presently involved  
in a date and may  
not respond to  
your summons.

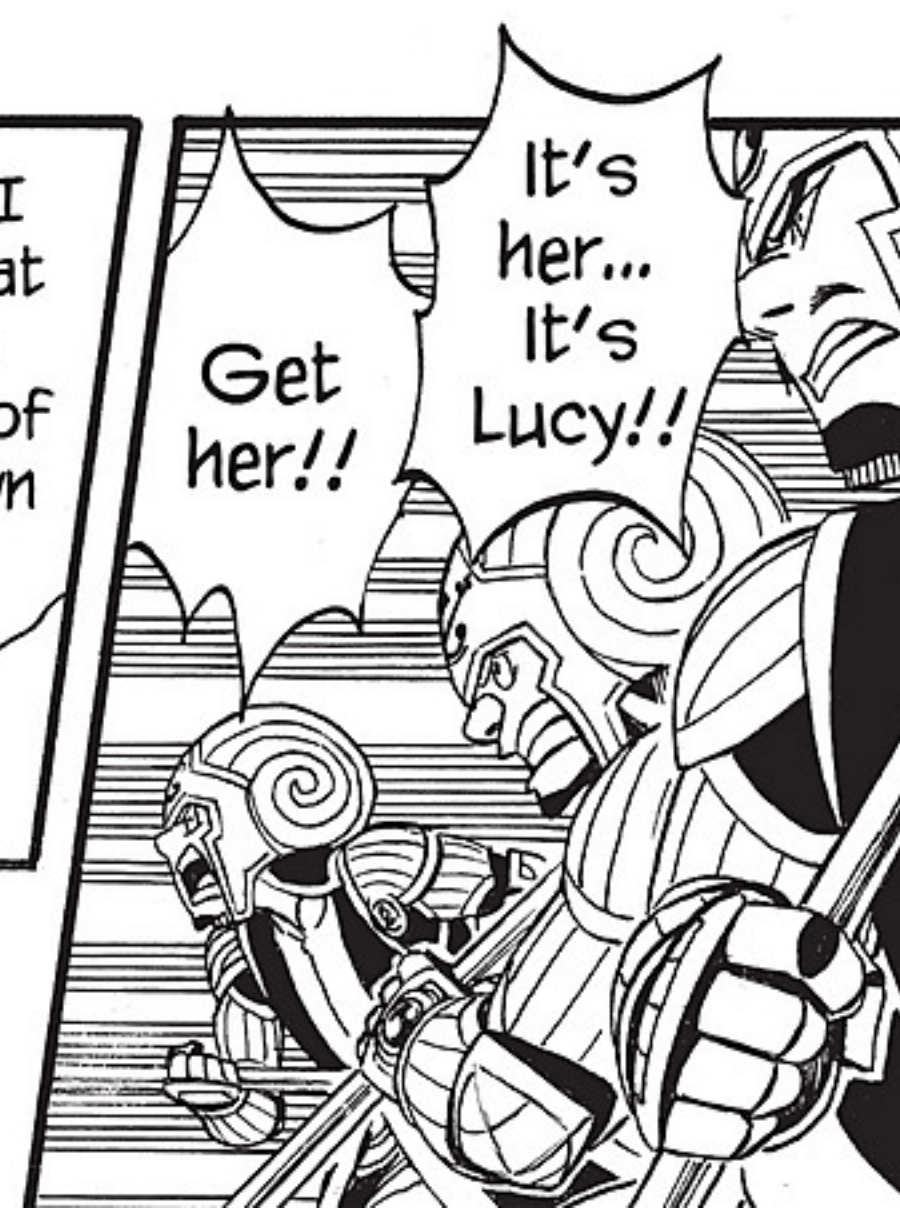
Hey,  
what's  
going on  
here?!!



Princess, if  
I may be so  
bold... Were I  
to put out my  
full power...



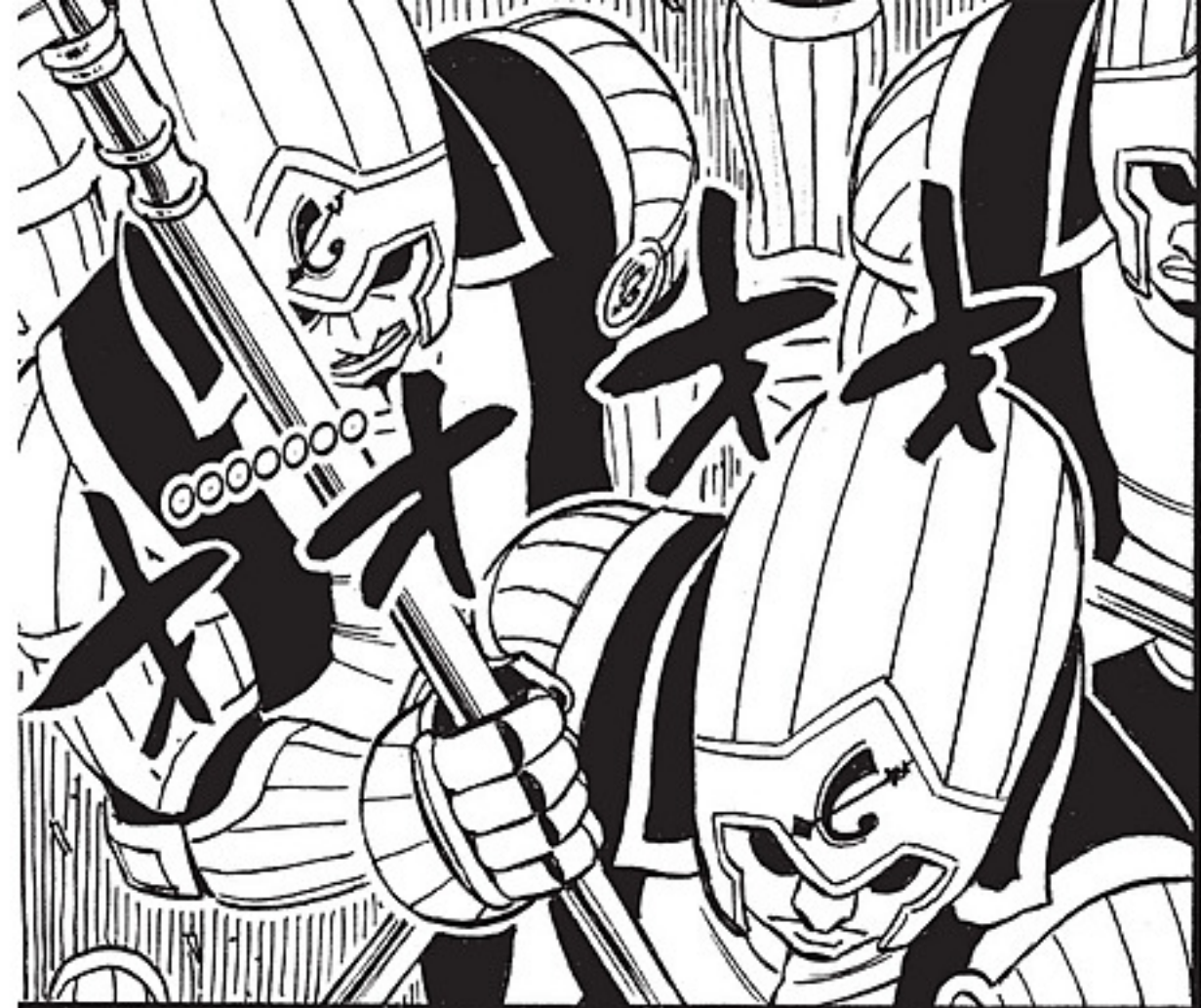
What'll I do?! I  
was figuring that  
Loke would be  
able to take all of  
these guys down  
by himself...



Get  
her!!

It's  
her...  
It's  
Lucy!!





Can't call him now...

Taurus !!

There's... no water here!

Lucy, Aquarius !!

Waaah! What'll I do?!



Return !!!

JA-JANG

JA-JANG

...I could do a dance like they've never seen.



I know how this is used now!!

### EDOLAS MAGIC AIR-FISSURE CANNON

RELEASES A MAGIC PROJECTILE OF AIR. IT HAS REGAINED SOME OF ITS MAGIC.



Then I guess we gotta use the *local* rules to beat 'em!

### EDOLAS MAGIC SELF-CONTAINED FLAME SWORD

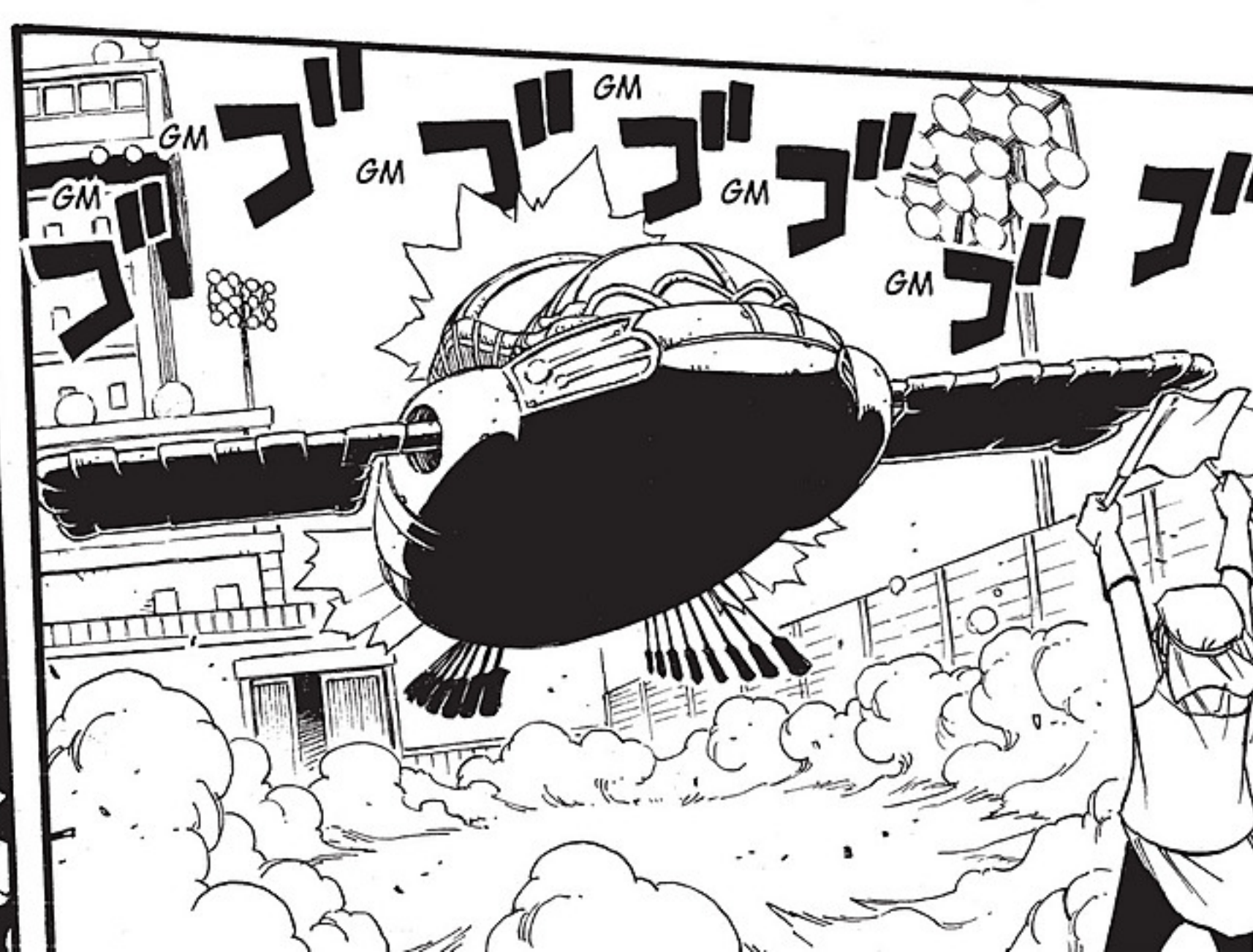
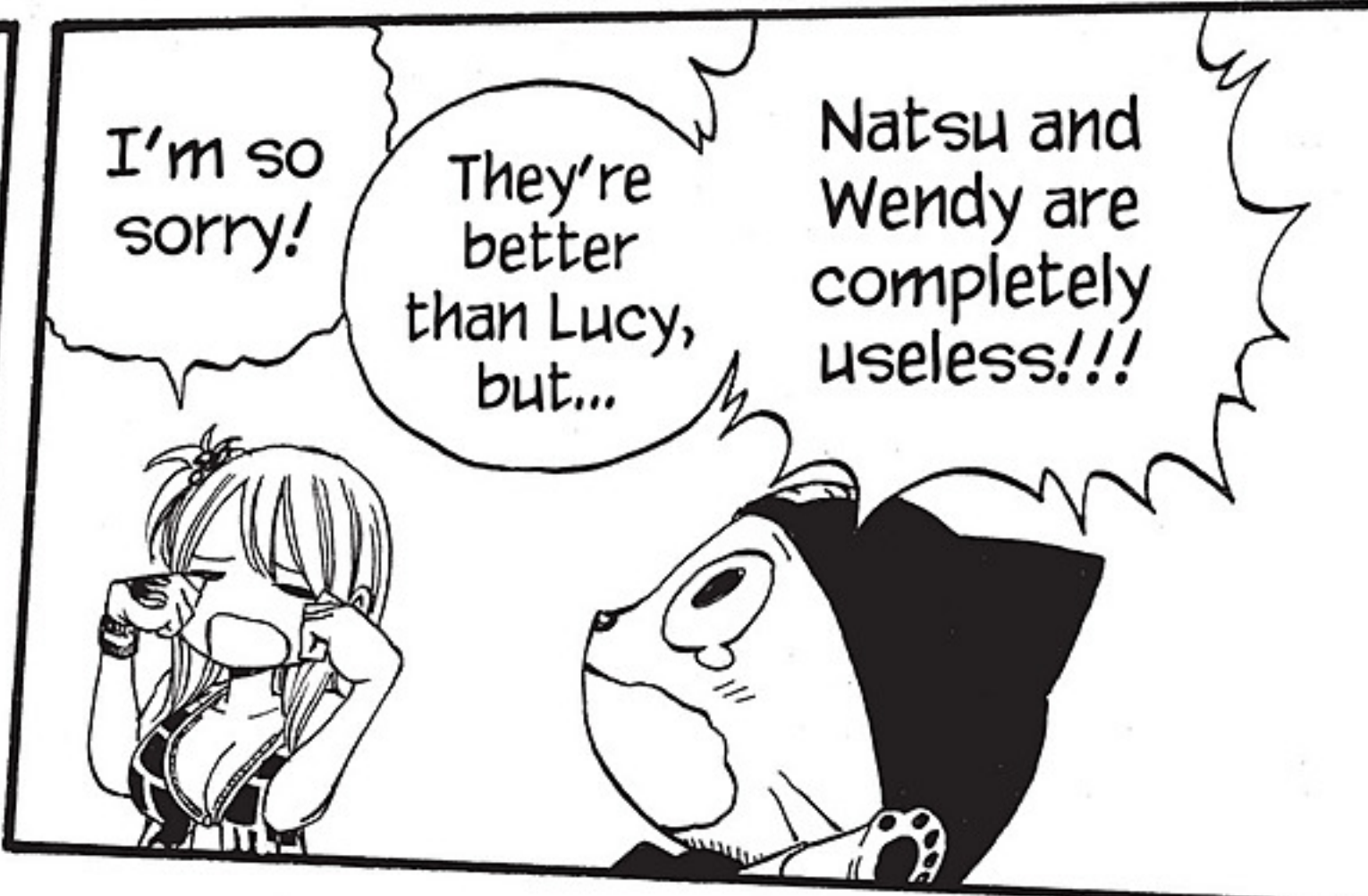
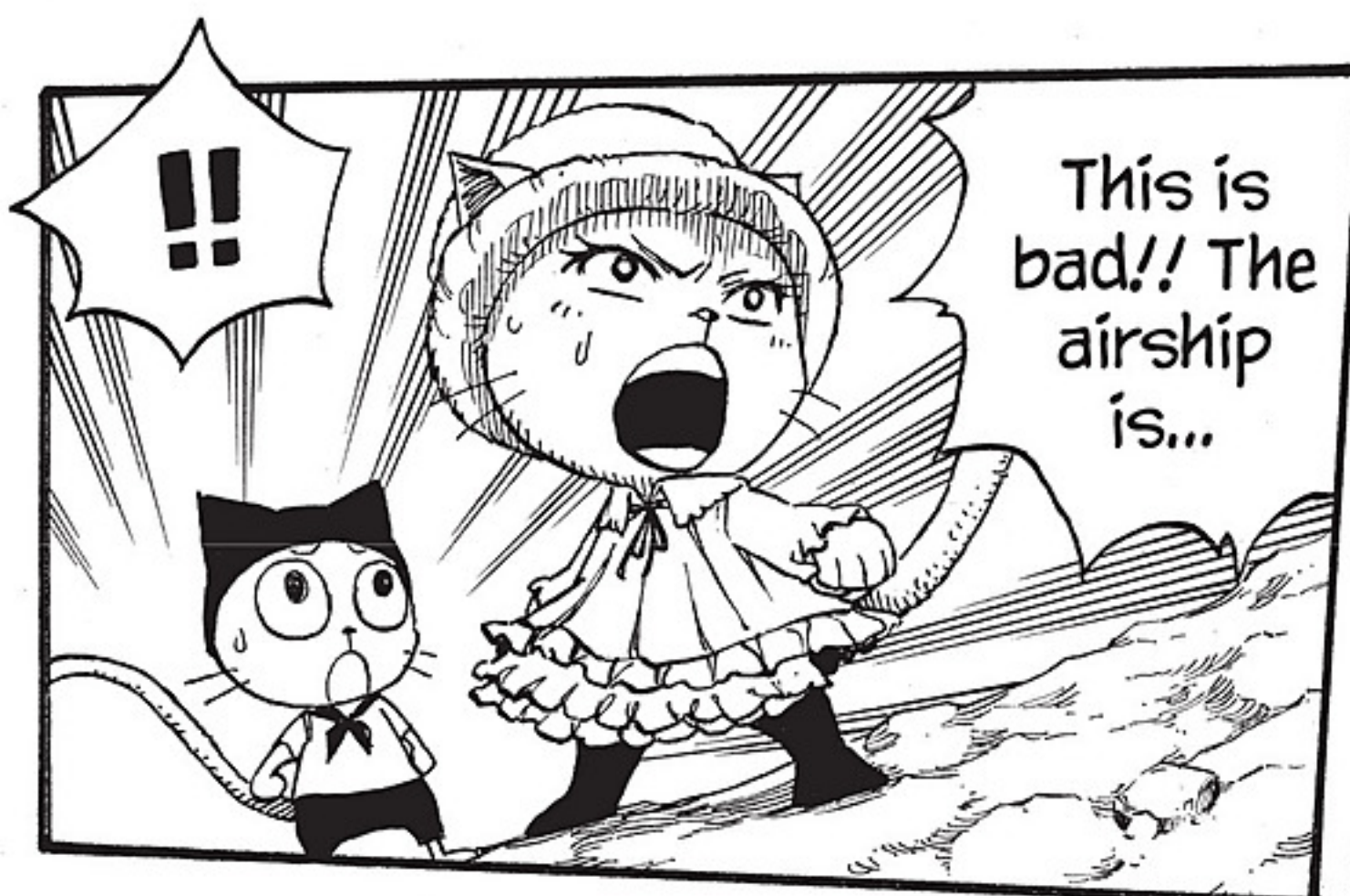
IT PROJECTS FIRE TAKING THE SHAPE OF A SWORD. IT HAS REGAINED SOME OF ITS MAGIC.



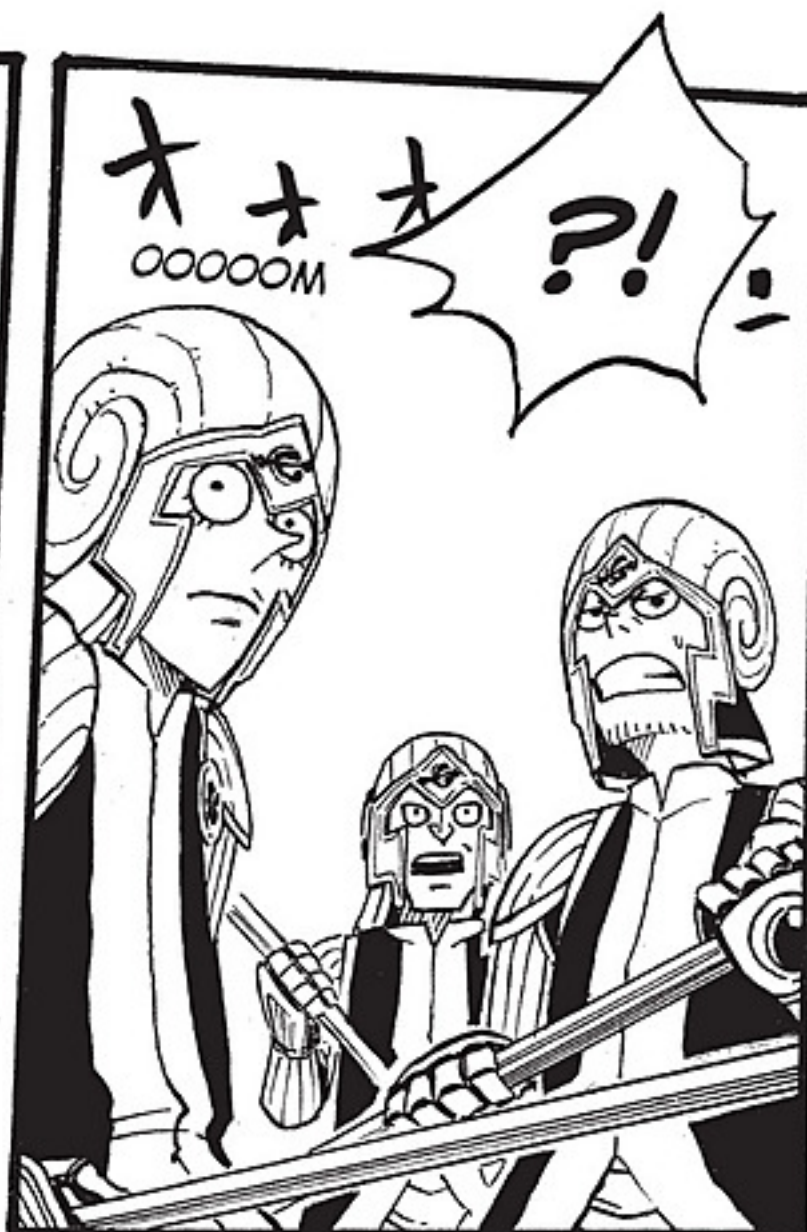
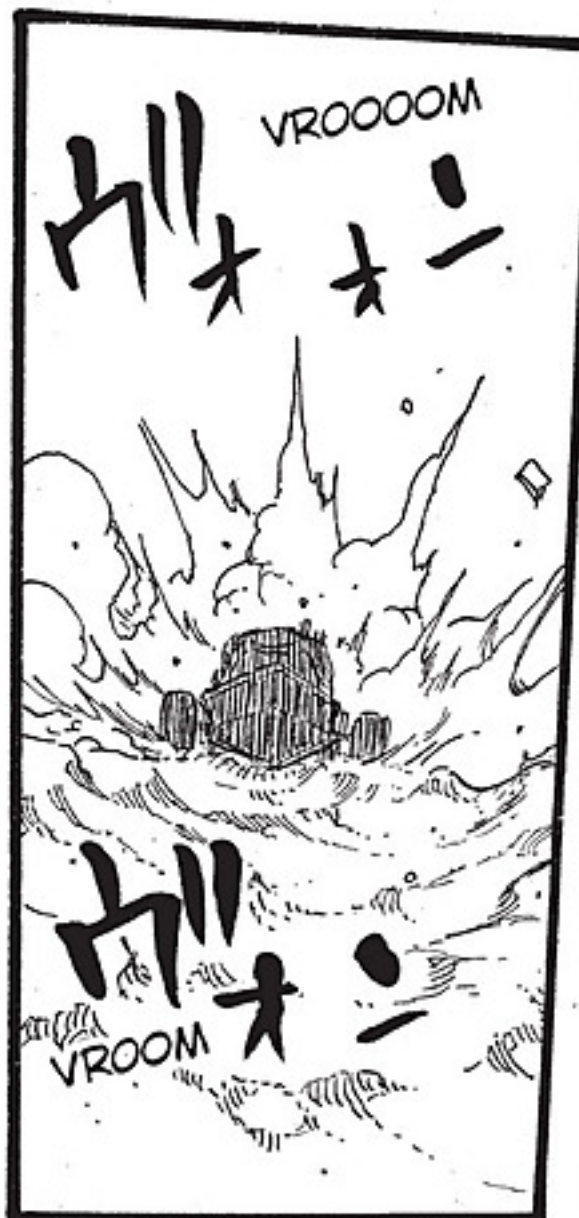
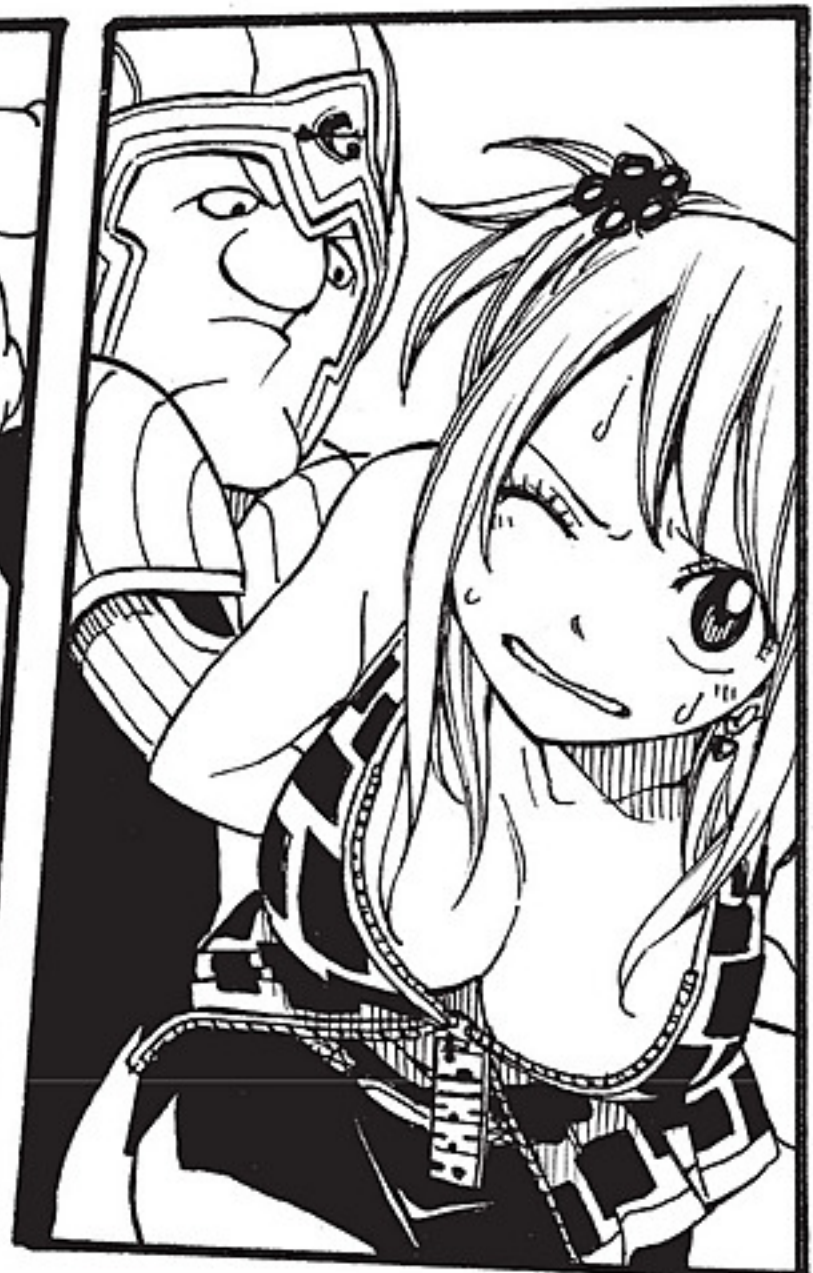
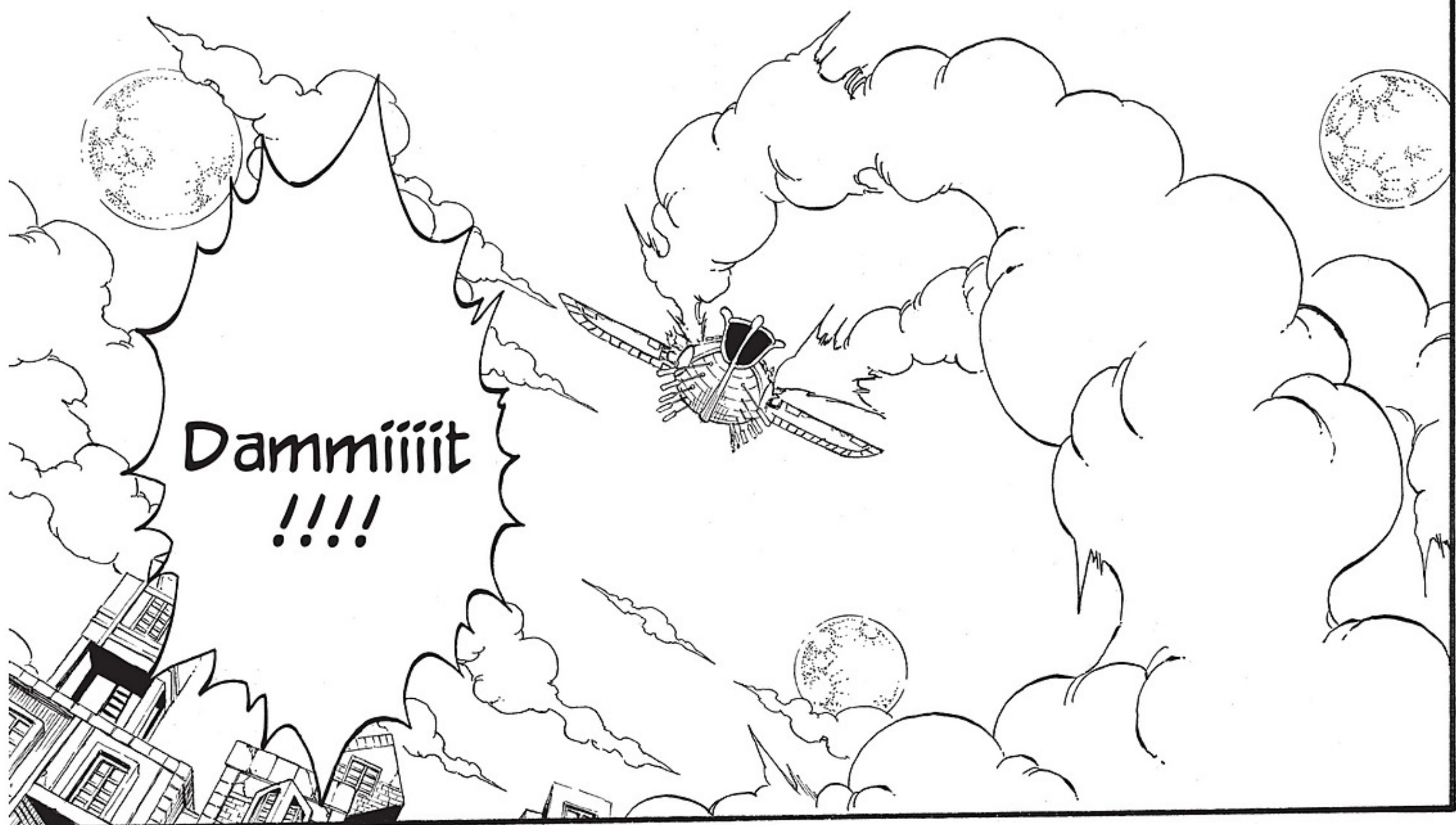
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Here we go!!

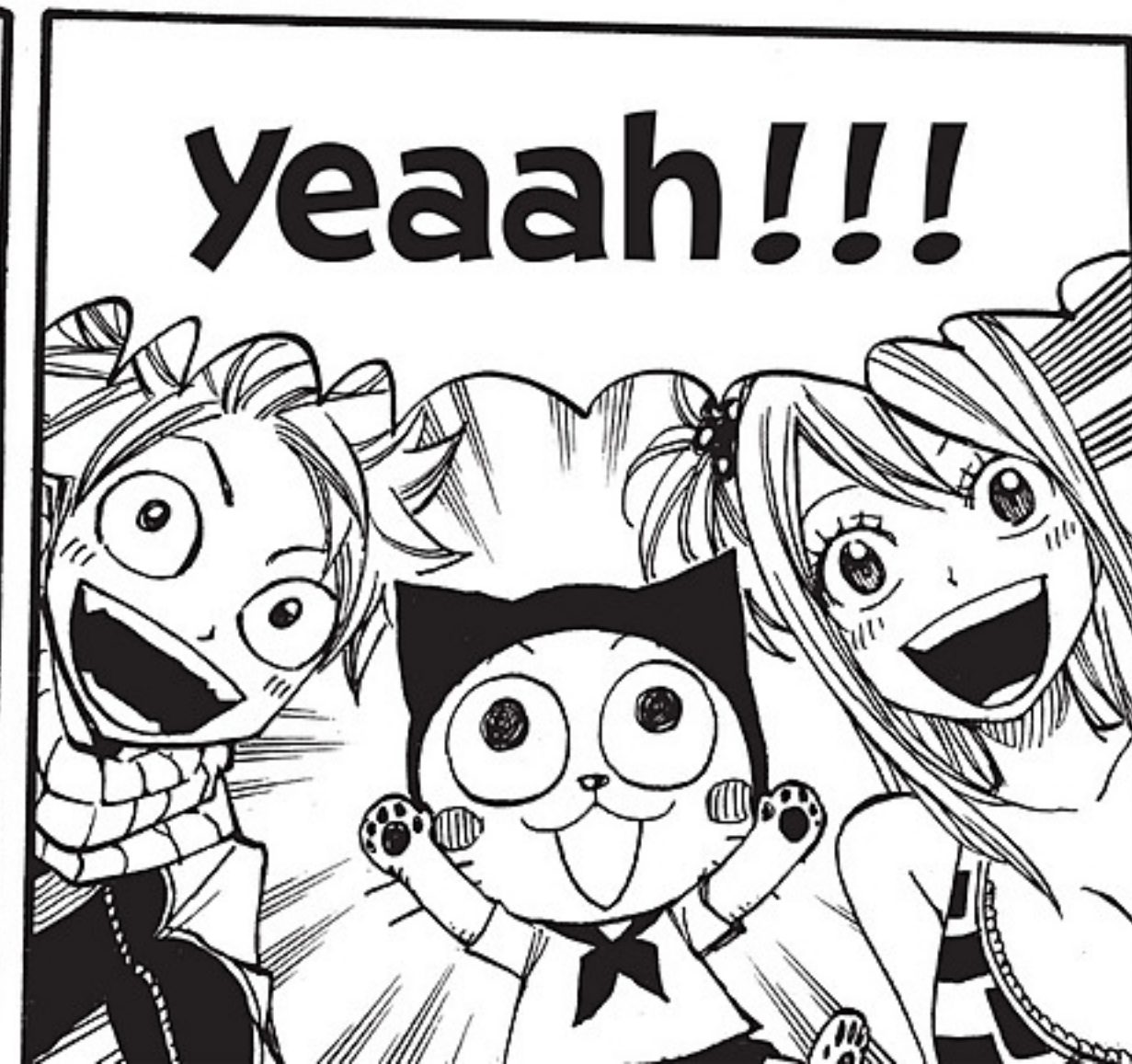
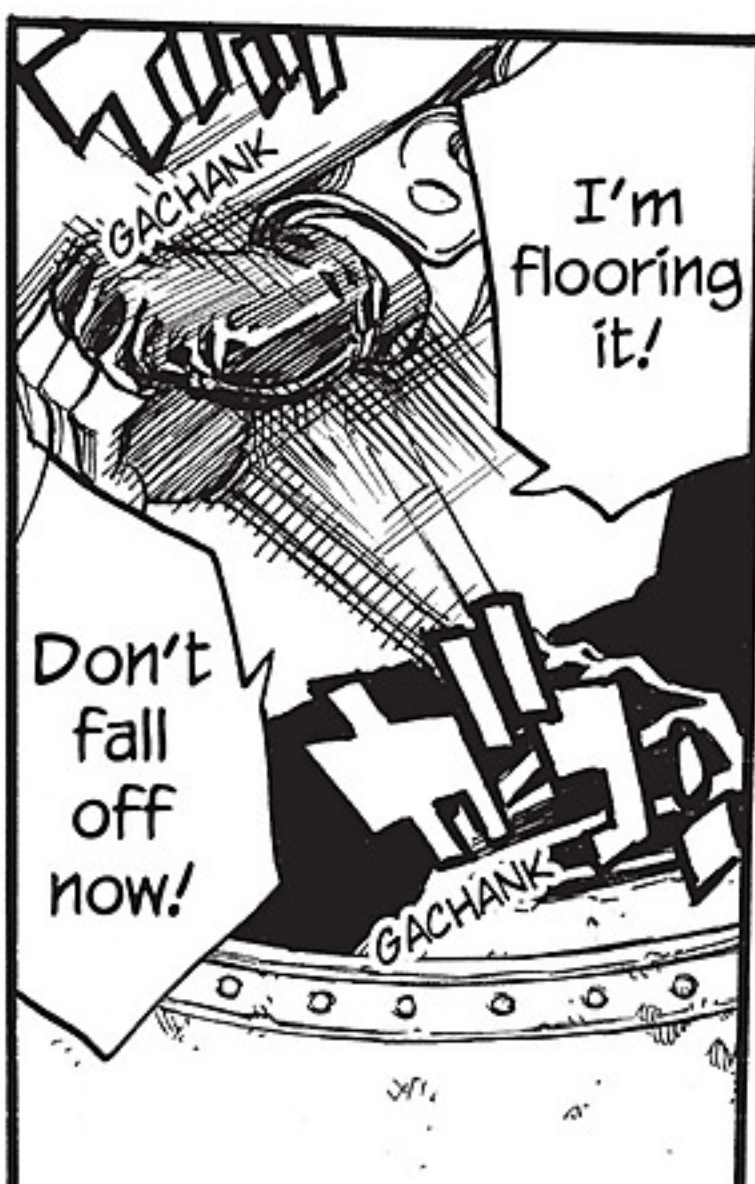
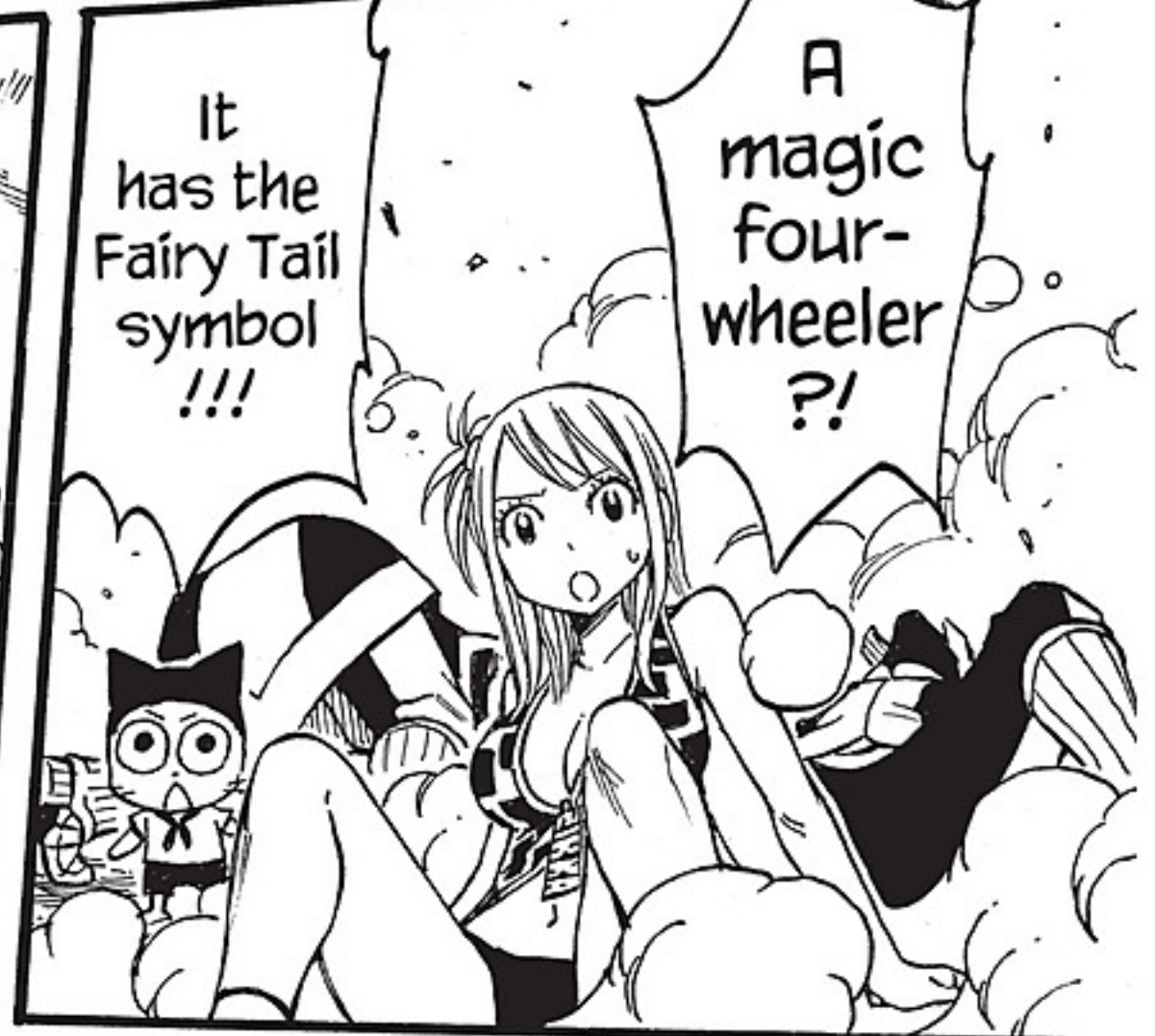
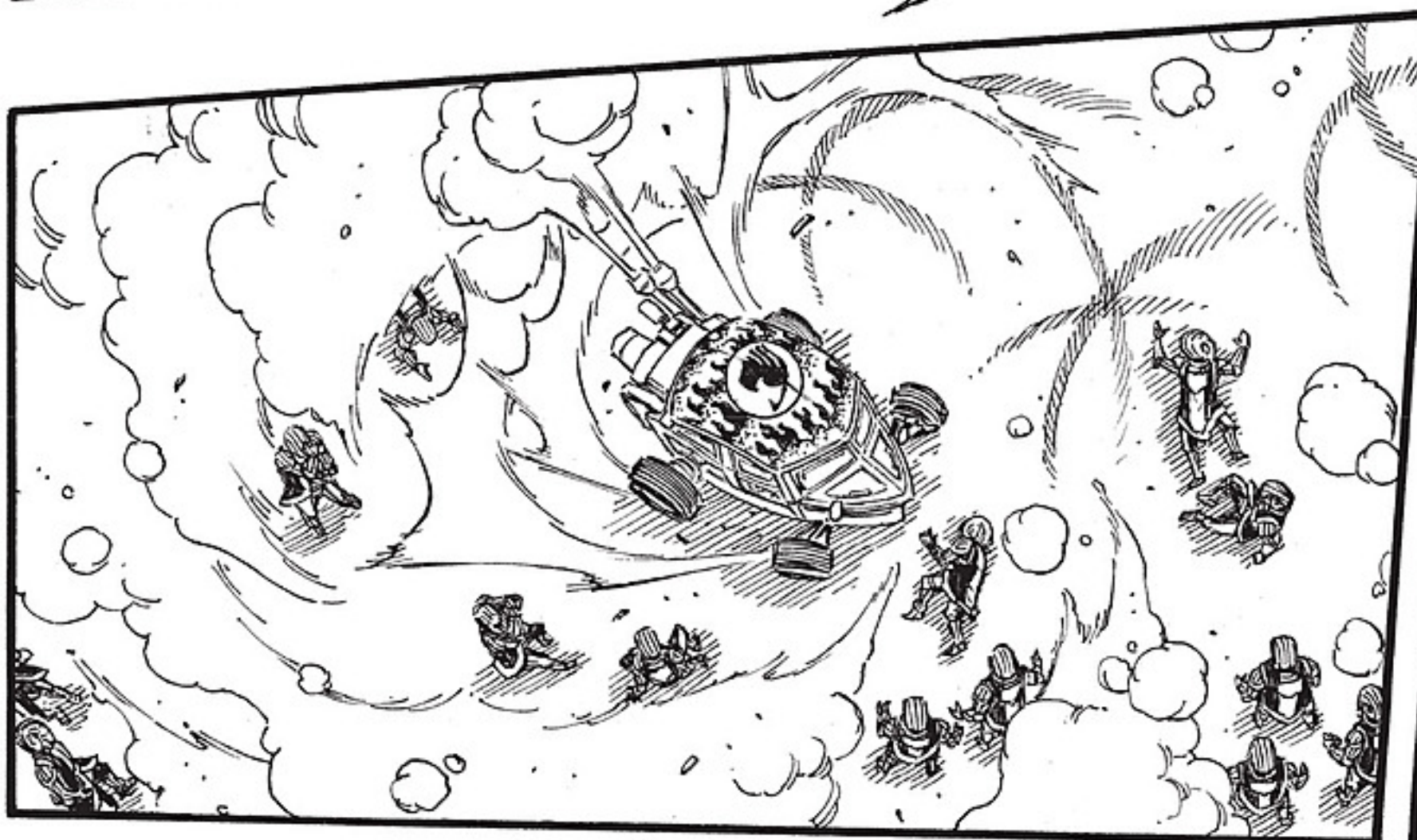
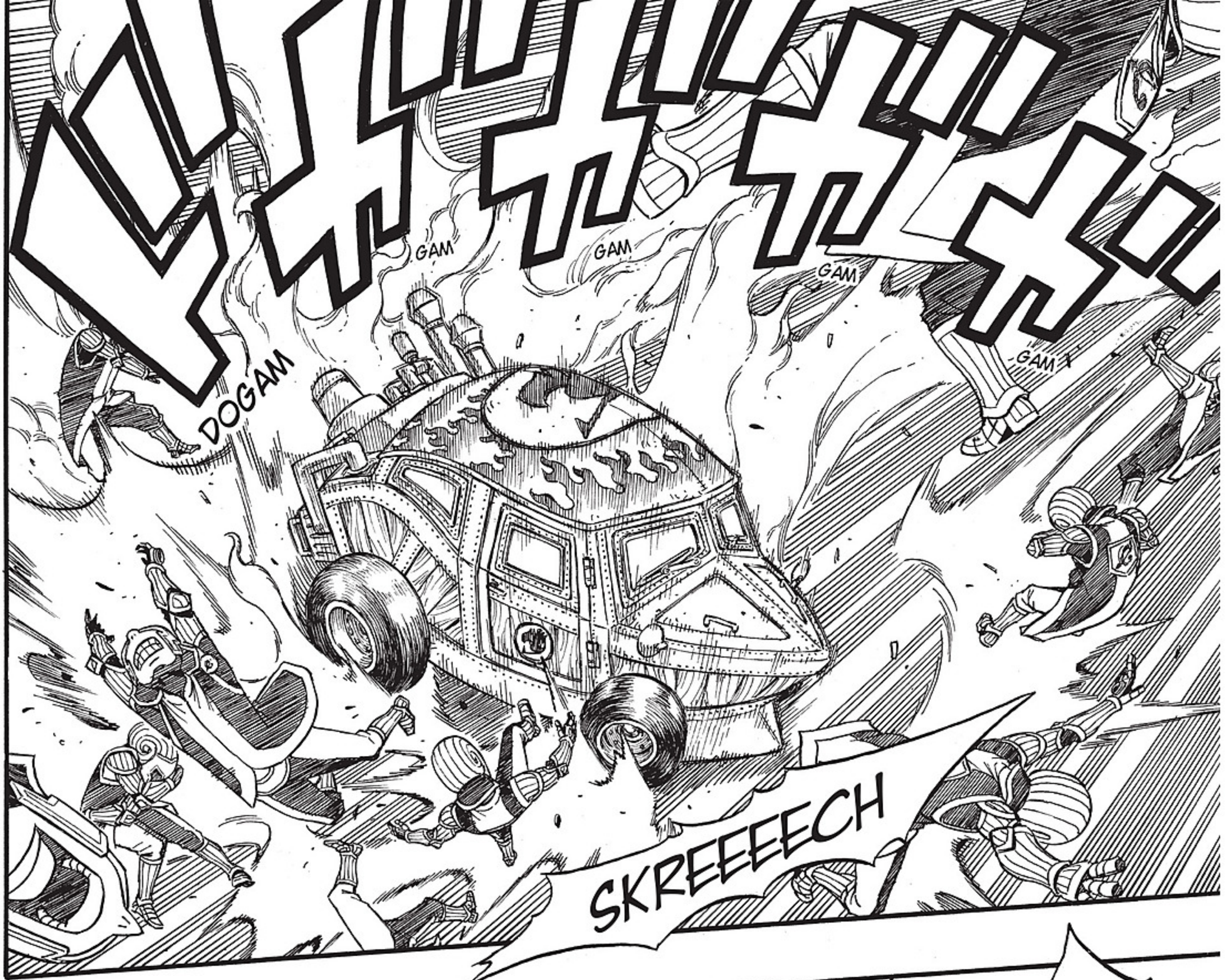




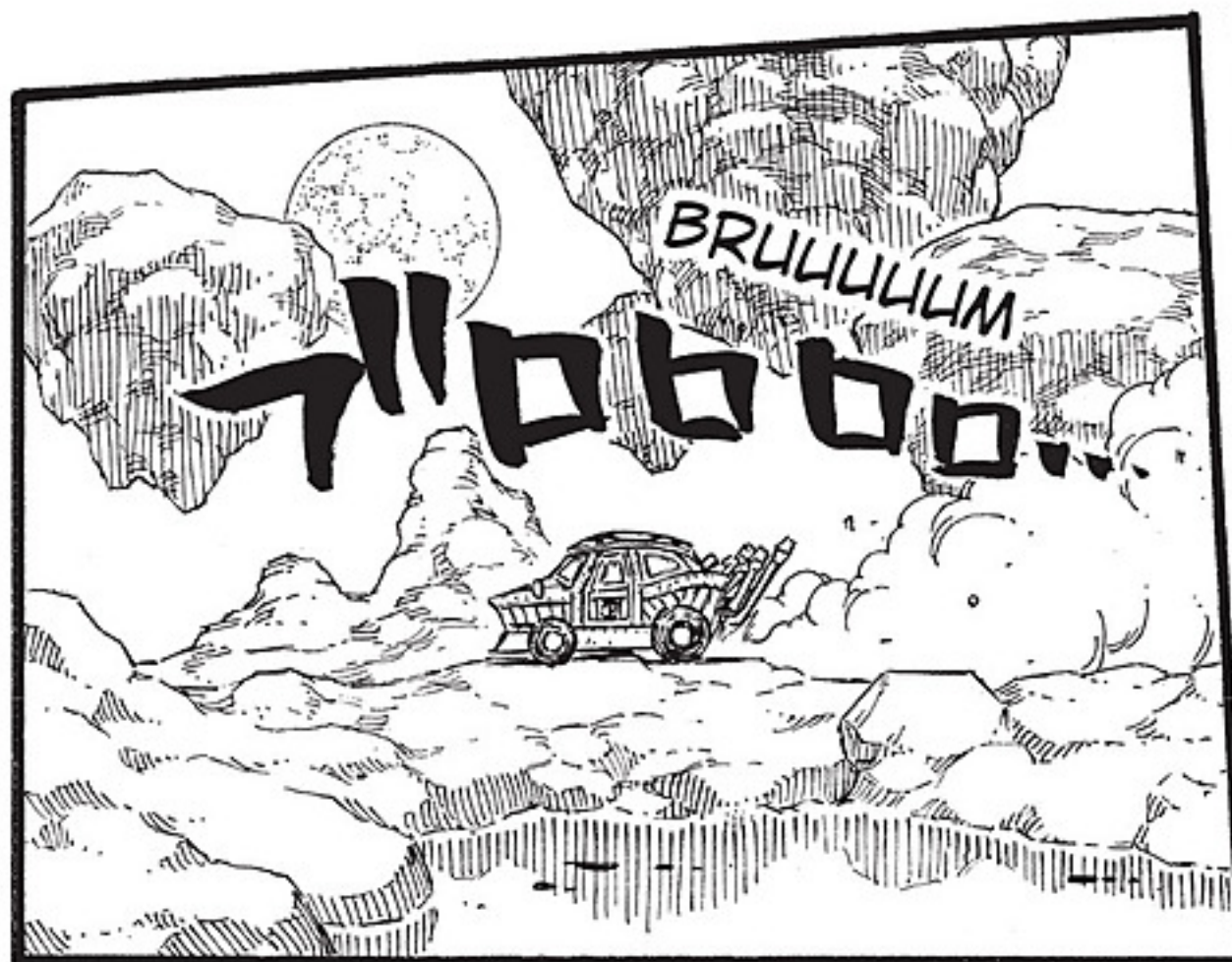
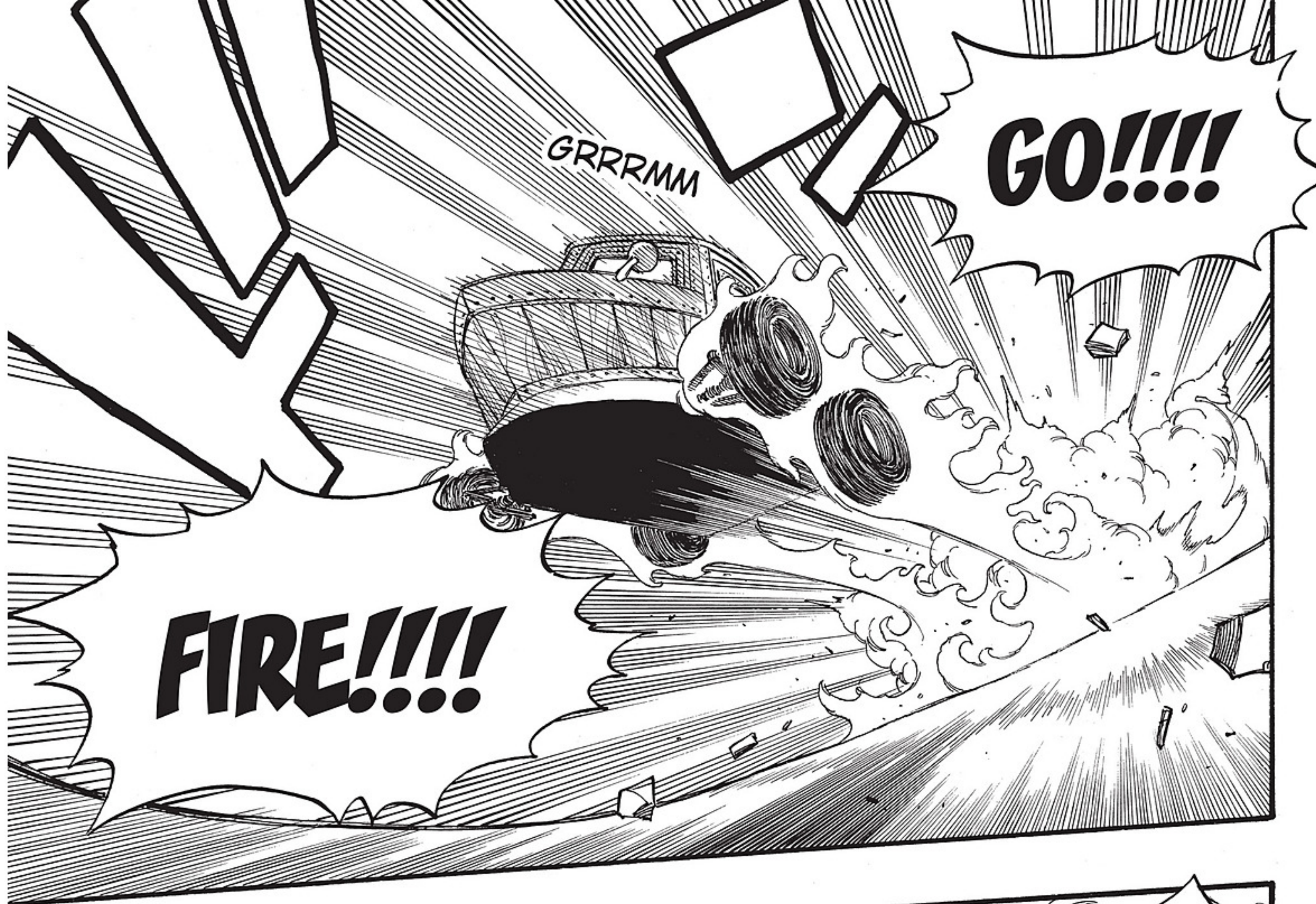




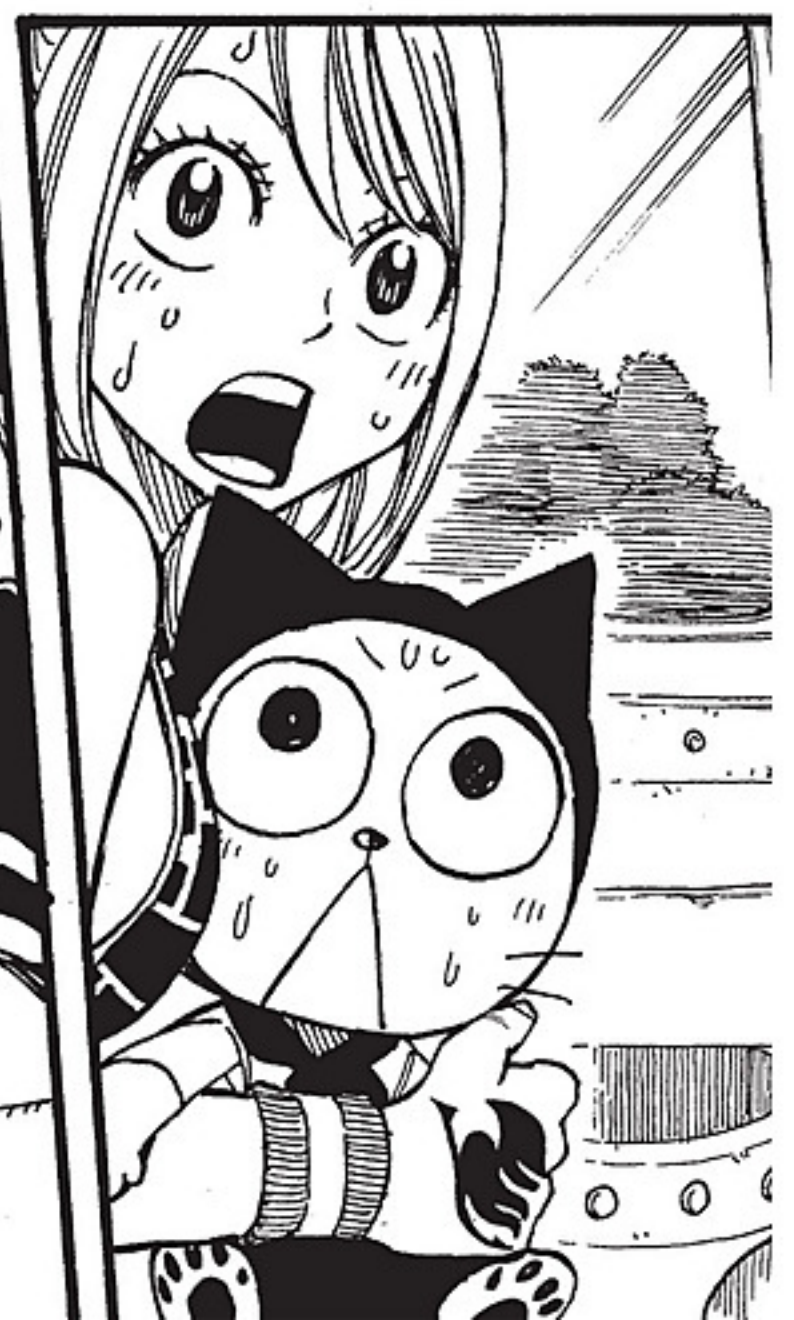
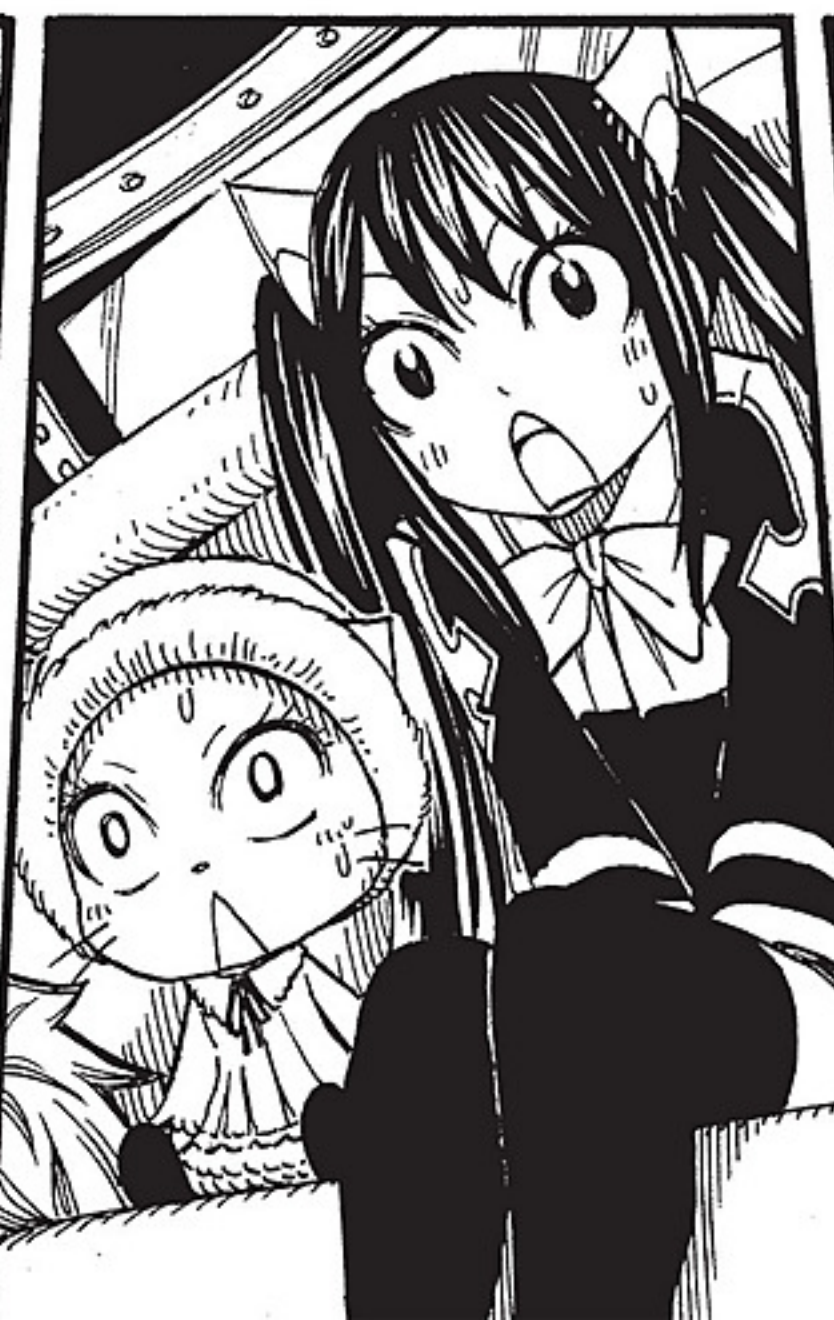










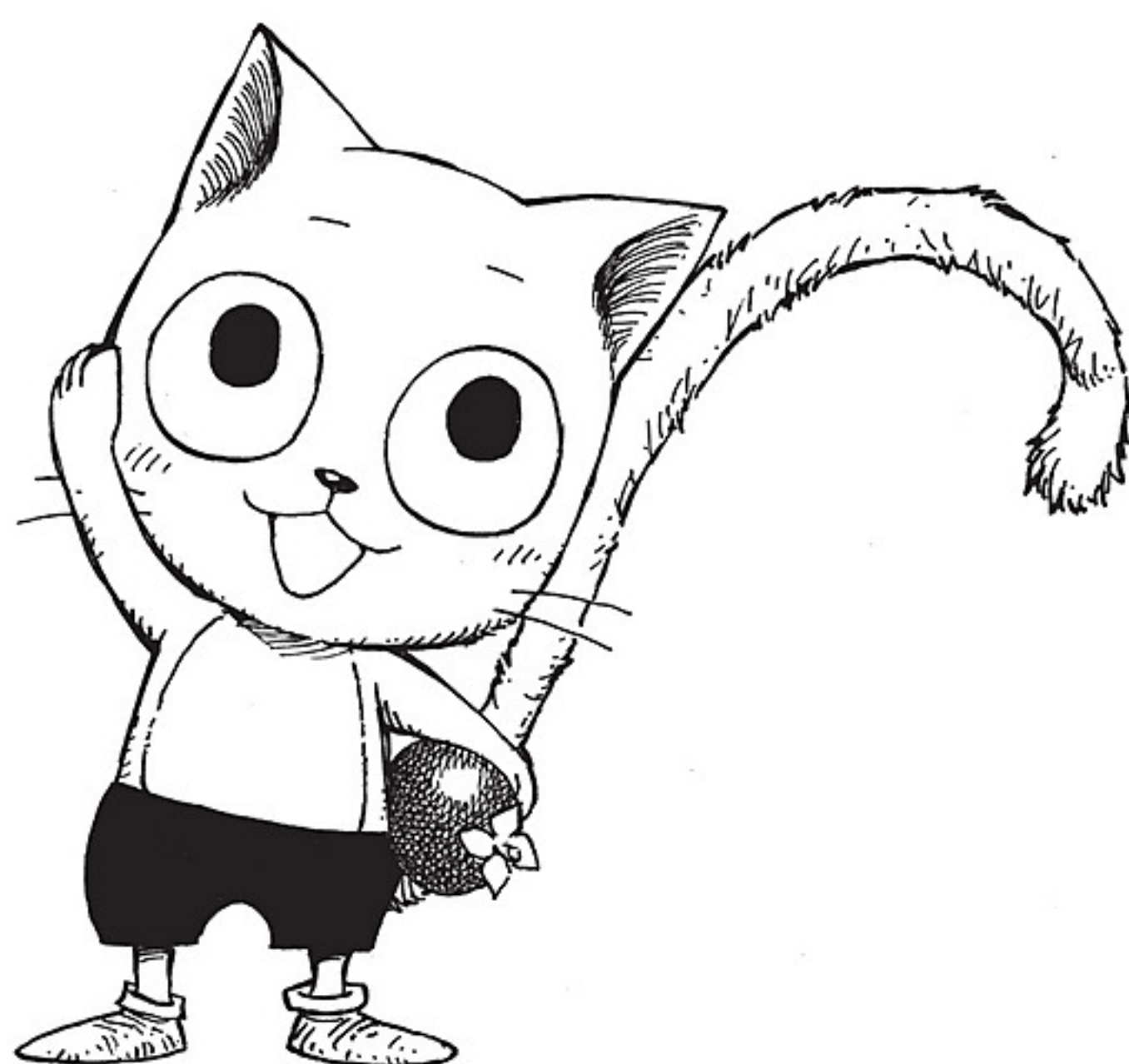




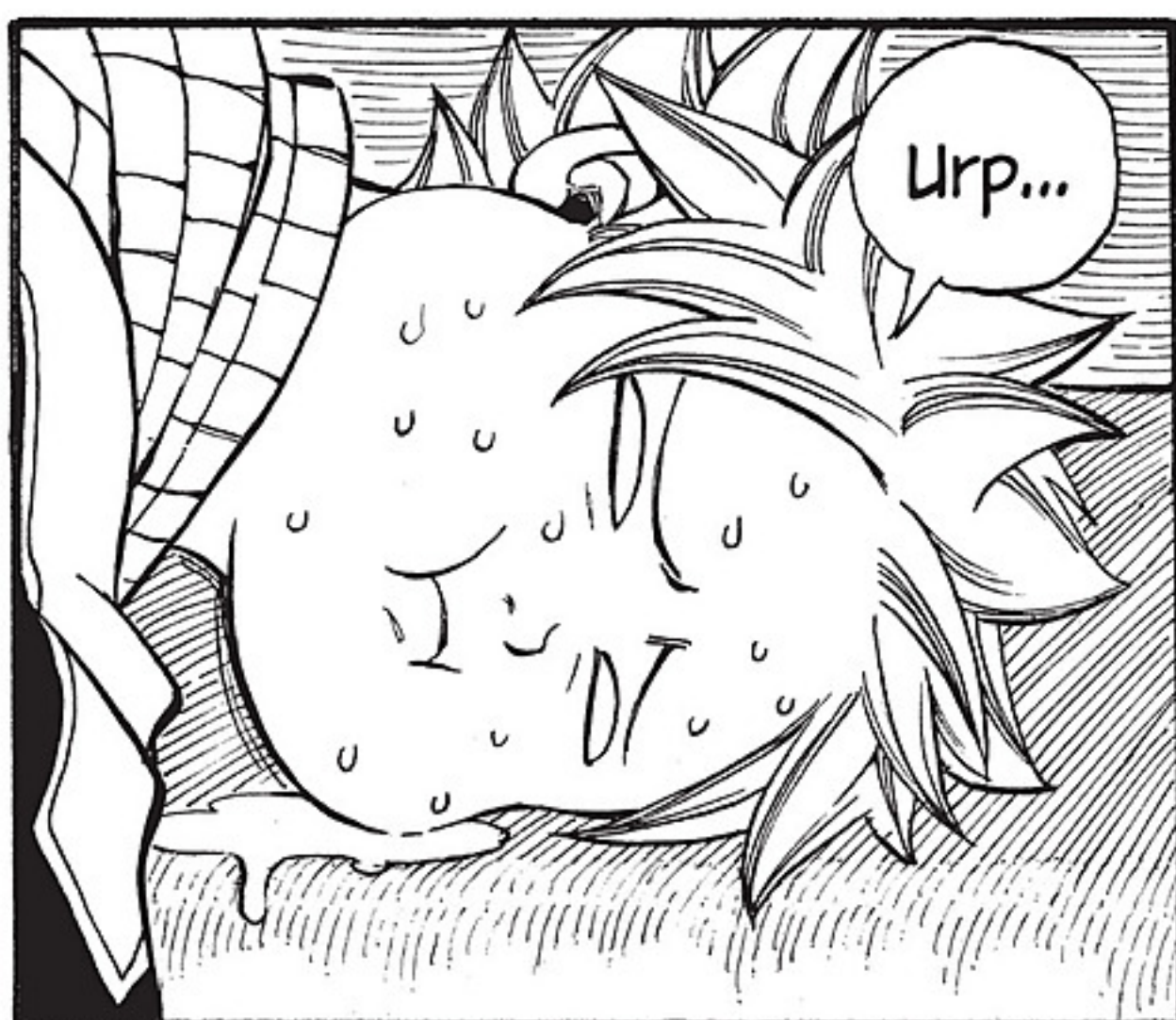
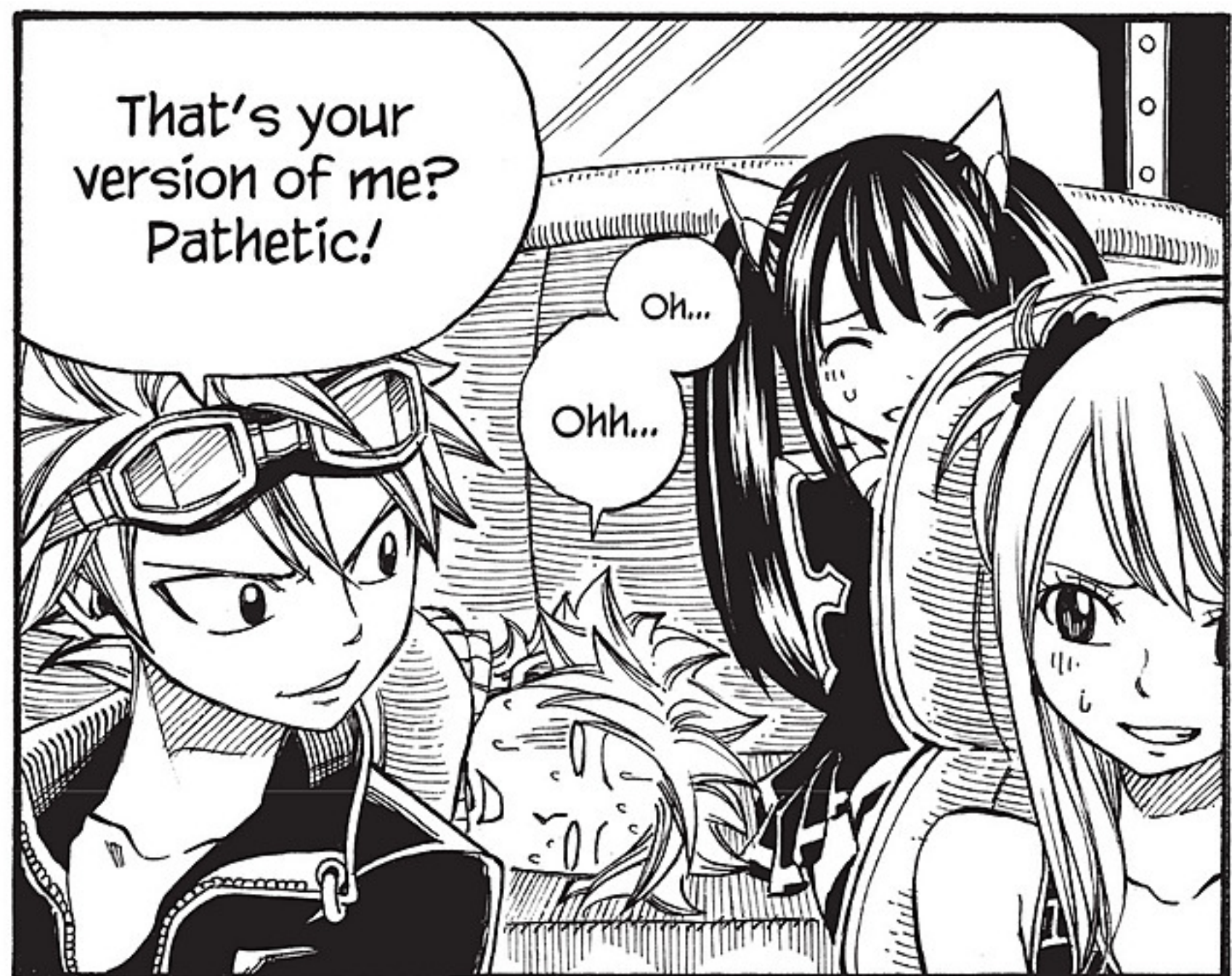
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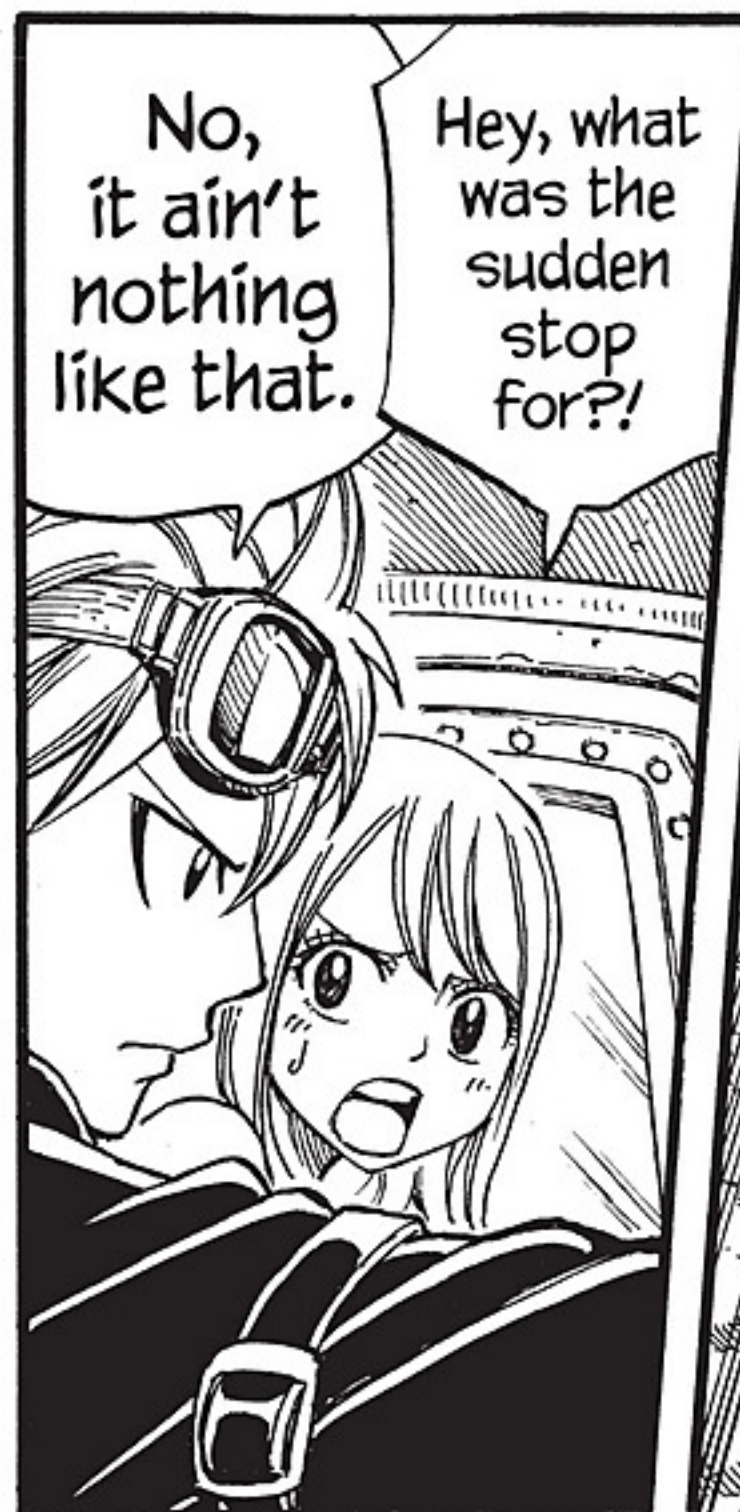
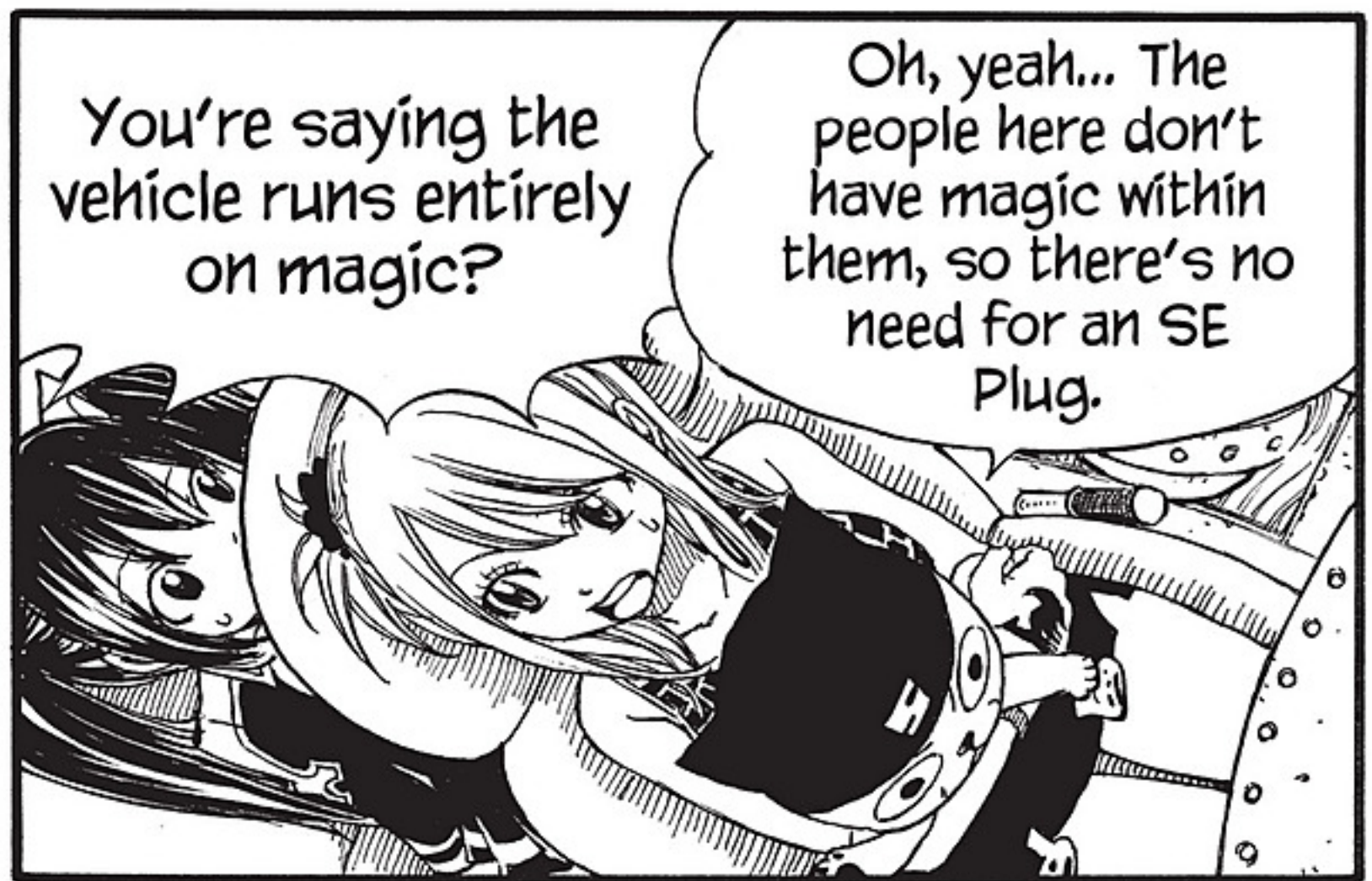
## Chapter 174: Revelation



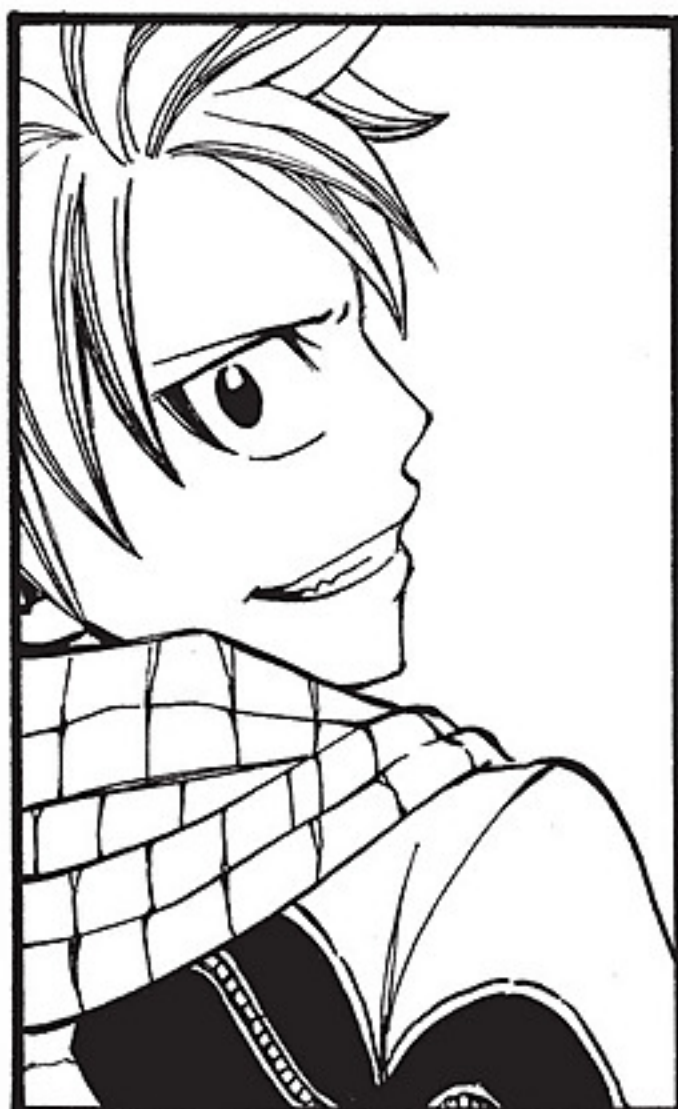










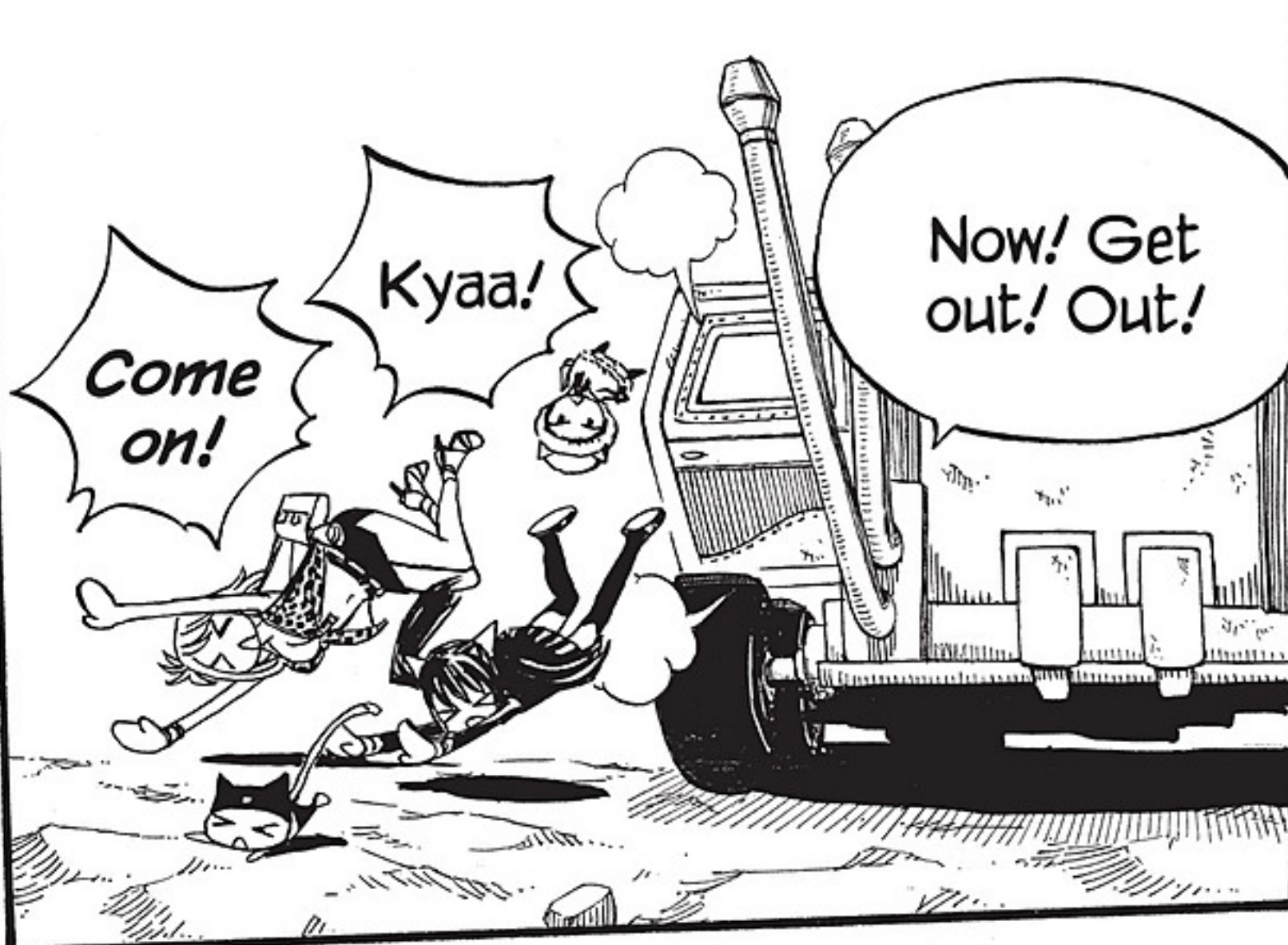






...don't go involving us in it, okay?

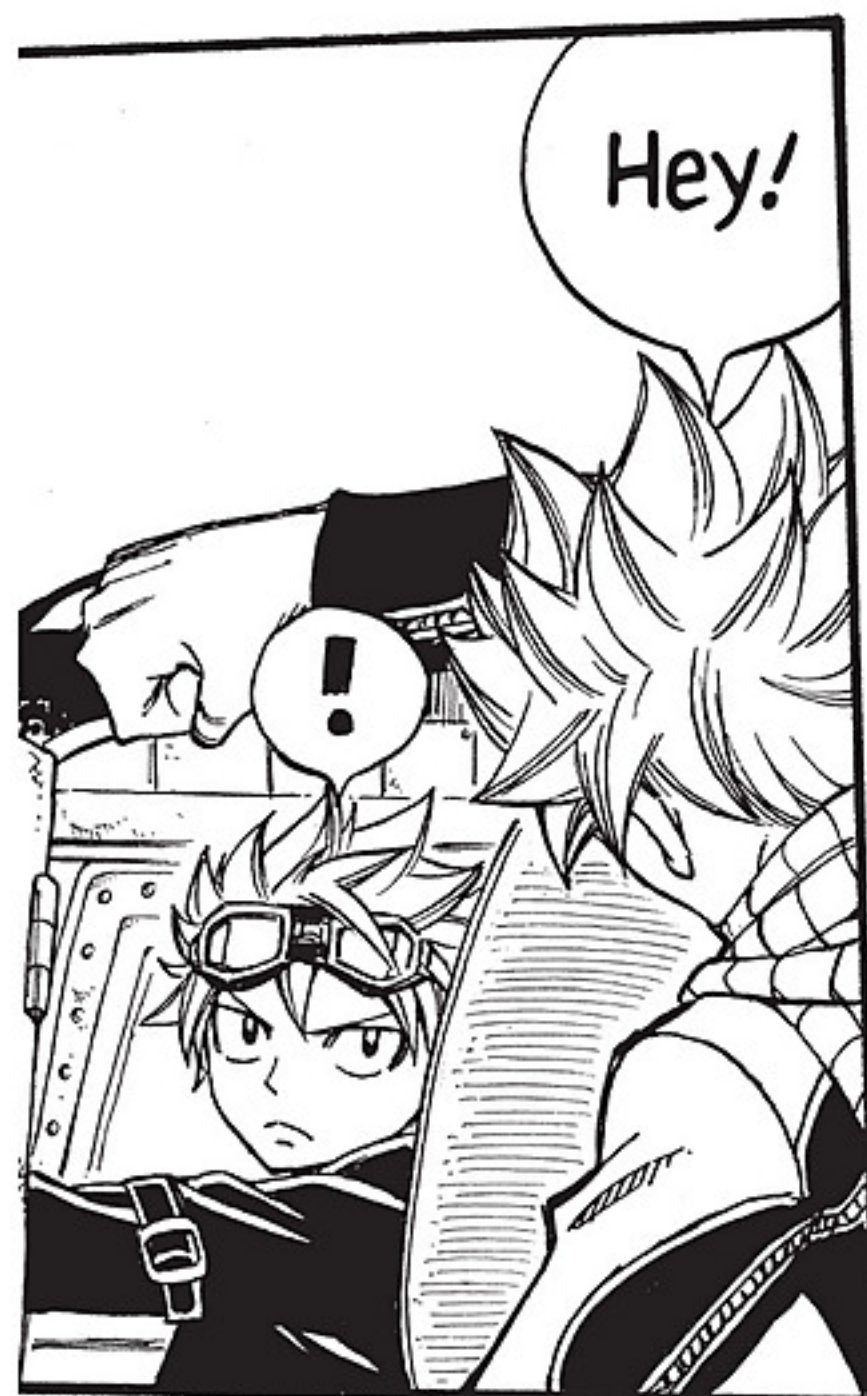
You're free to take on the Kingdom if you want, but...



Come on!

Kyaa!

Now! Get out! Out!

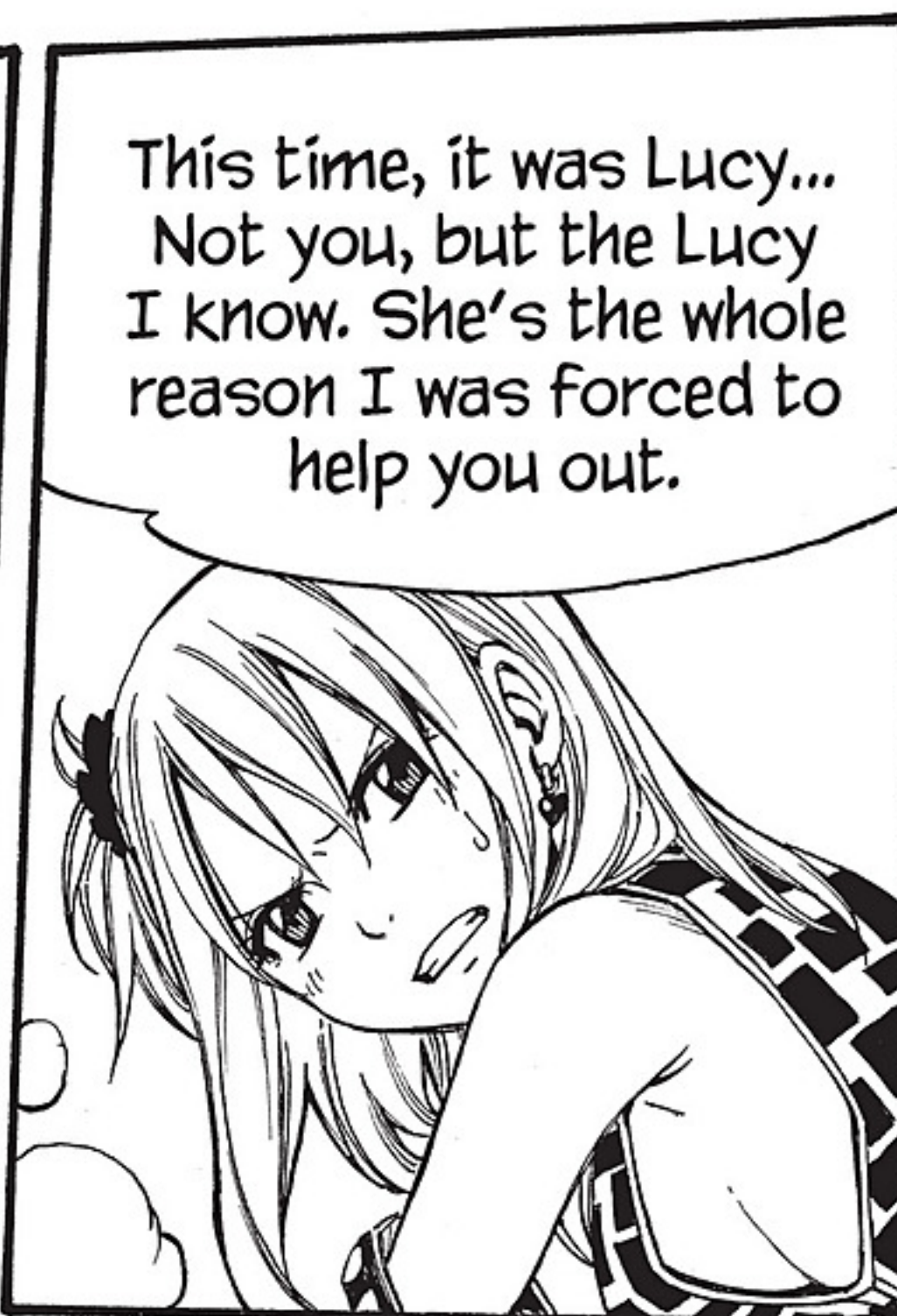


Hey!



I just like to be on the go!

But I don't want any more of it!



This time, it was Lucy... Not you, but the Lucy I know. She's the whole reason I was forced to help you out.

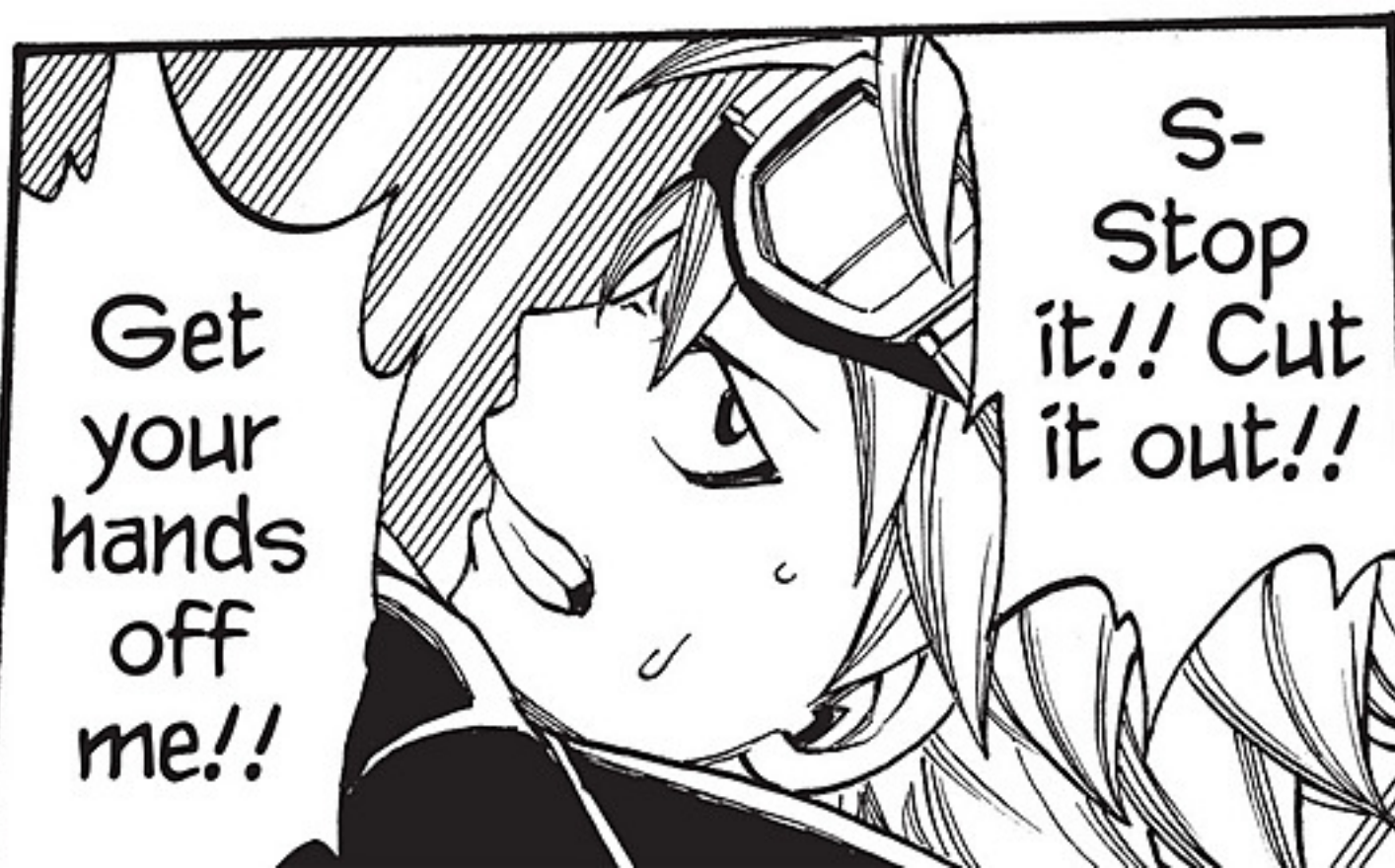


Listen, you...

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WHUDD



Since you're me, I'm gonna have my say!



Get your hands off me!!

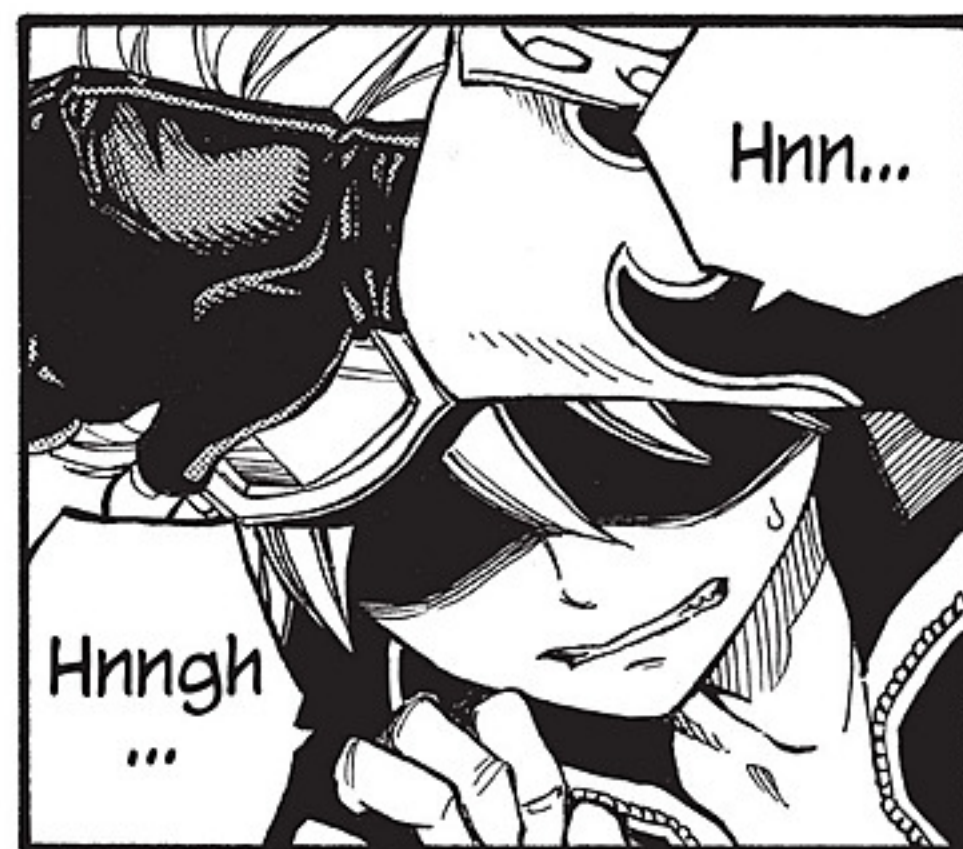
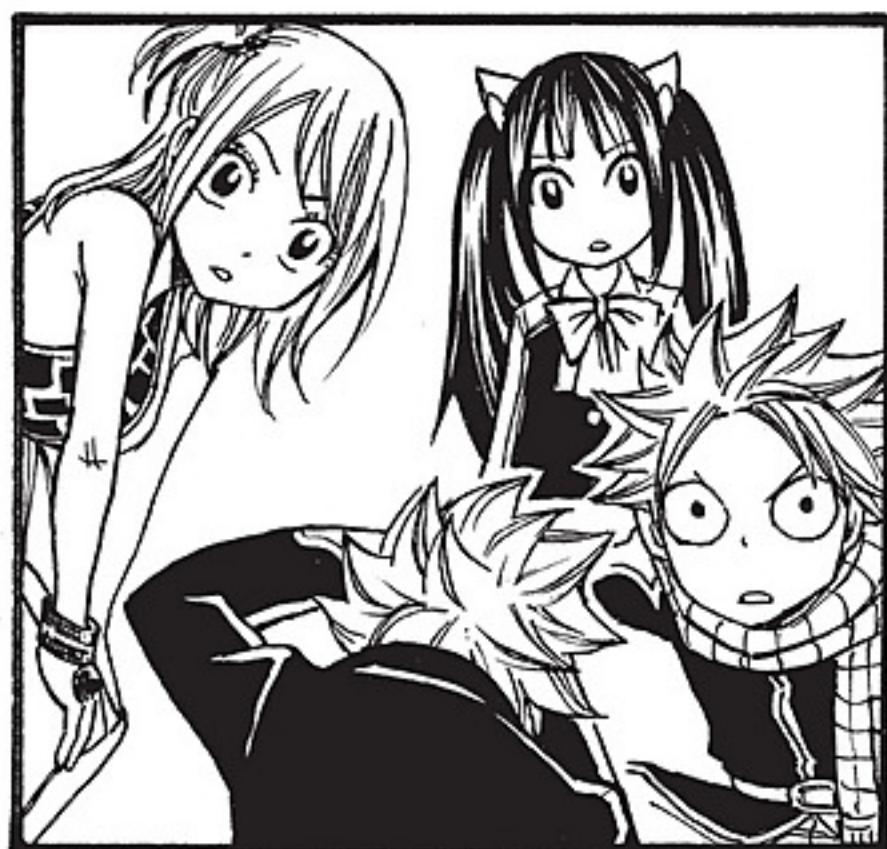
S-Stop it!! Cut it out!!



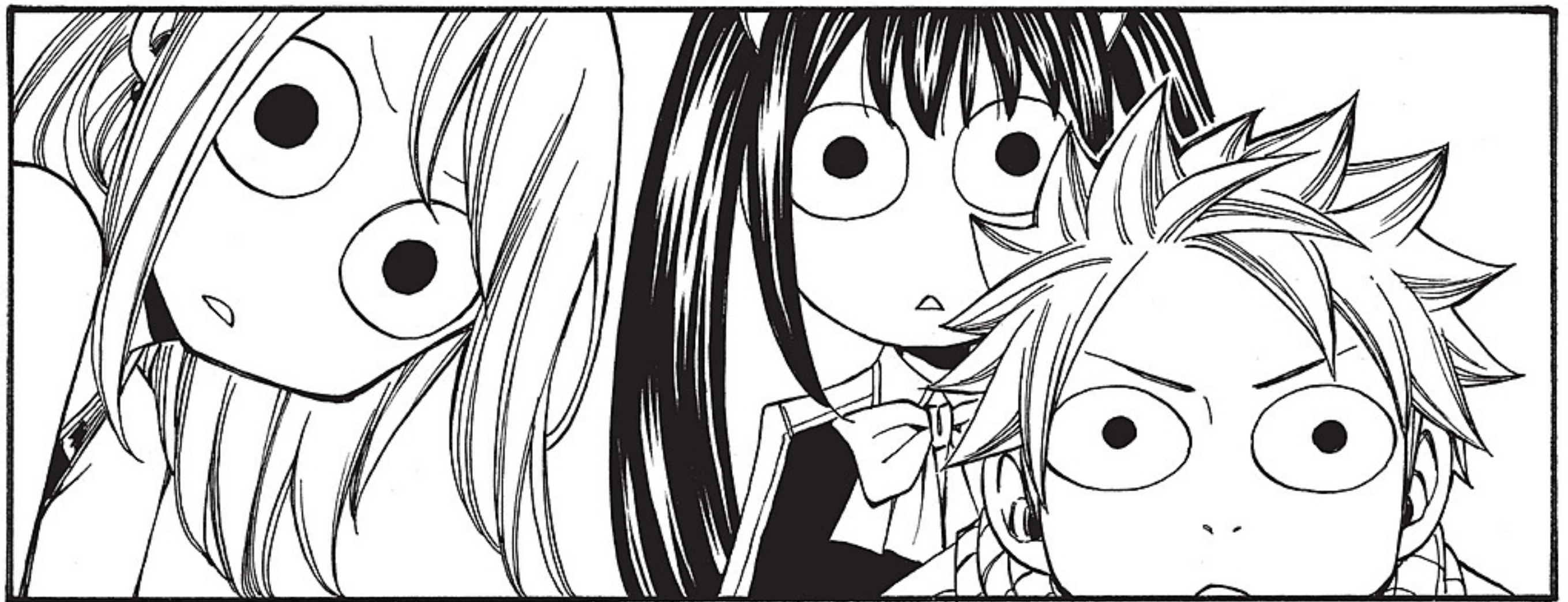
H-Hey!! You jerk! What're you doing?!

You get out of there too!!

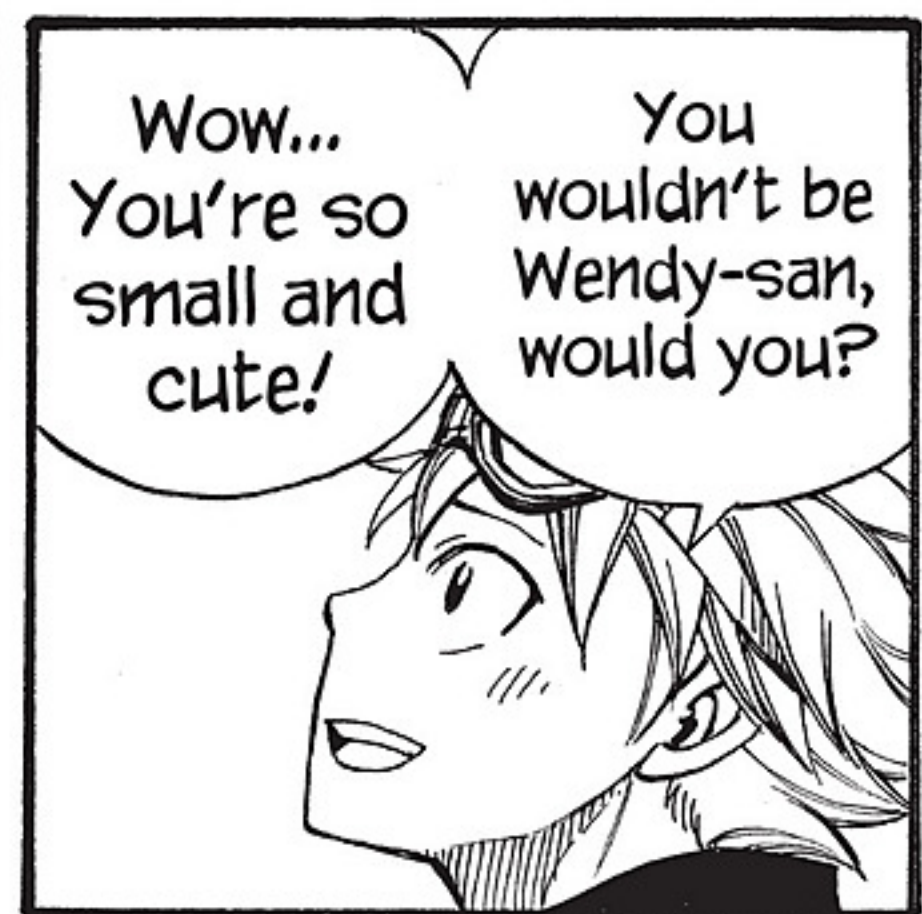
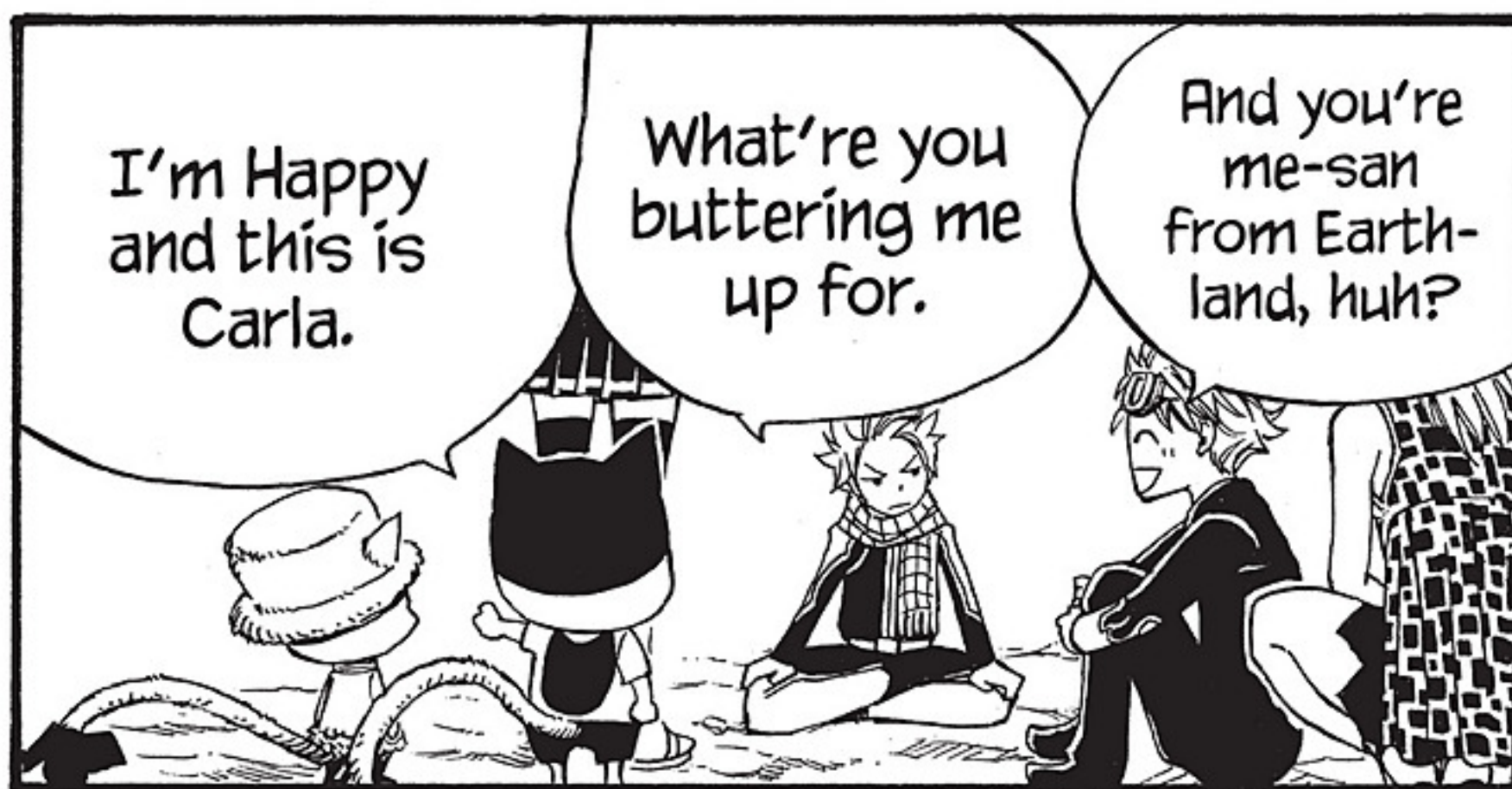
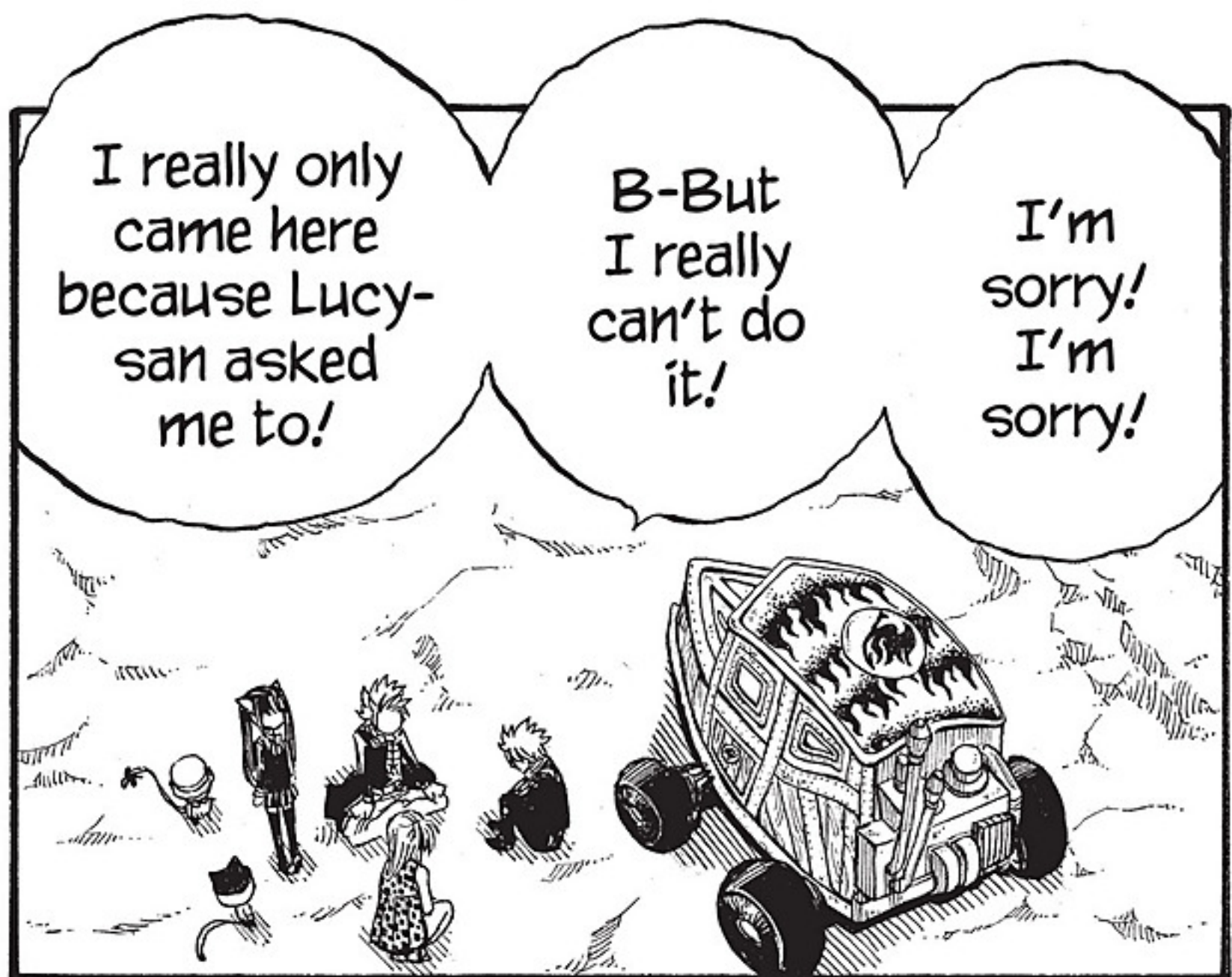
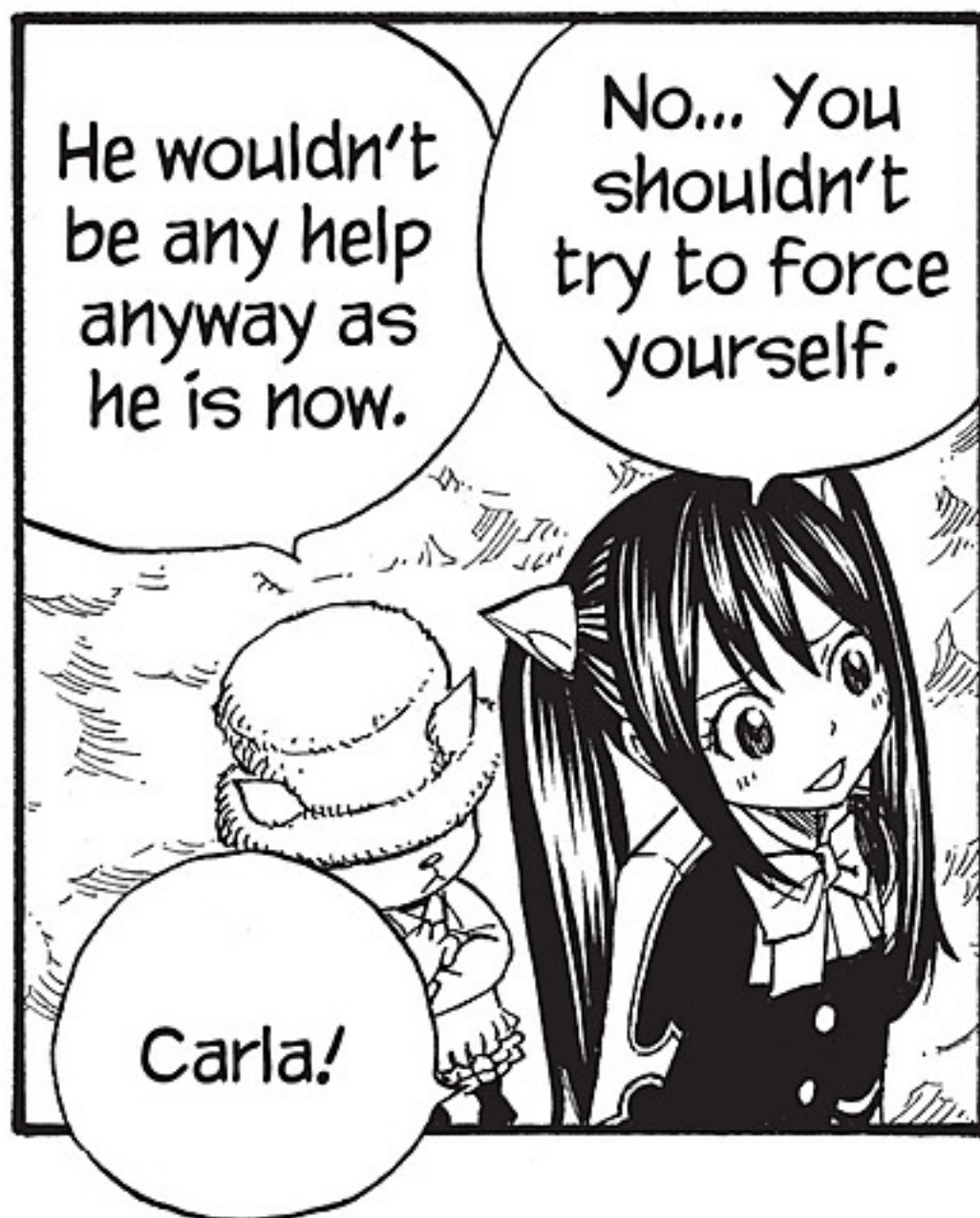




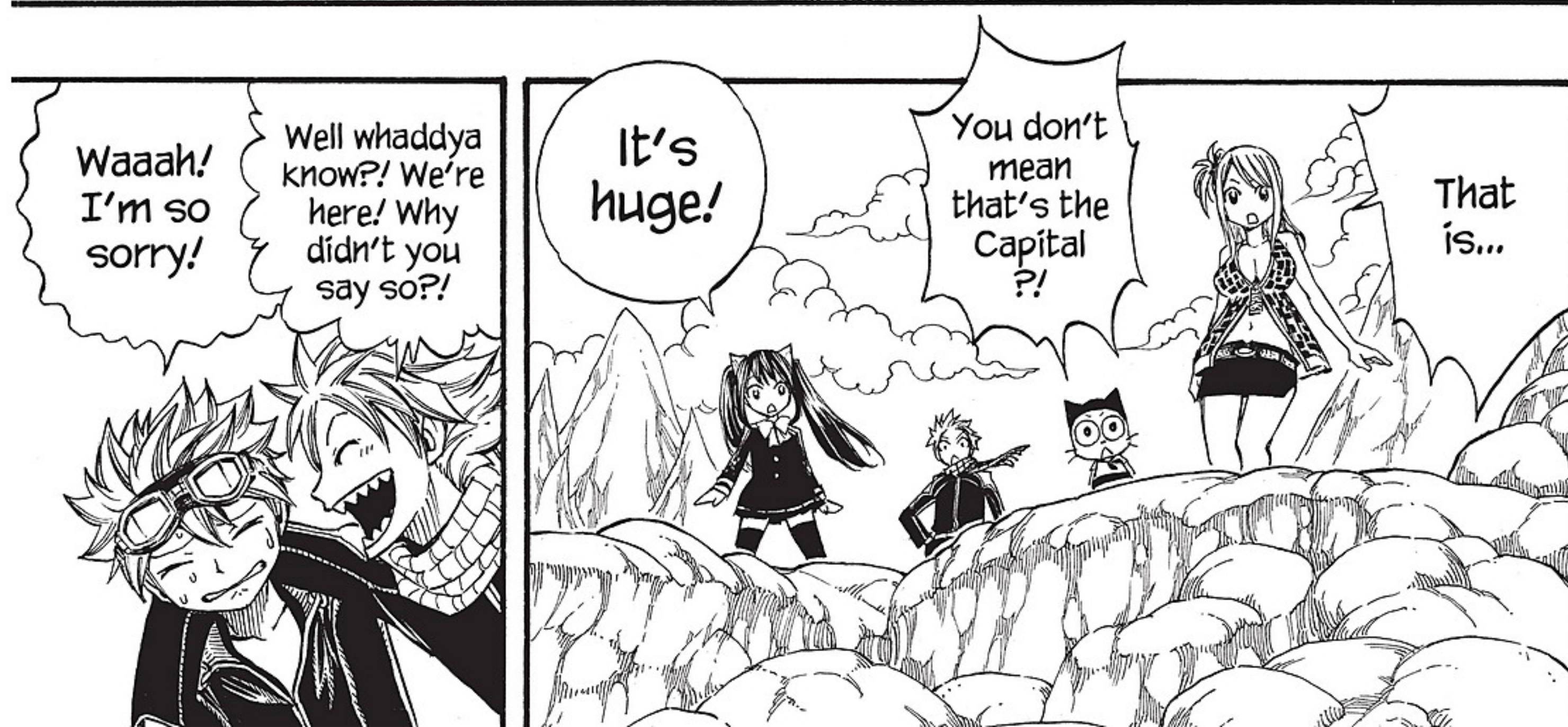
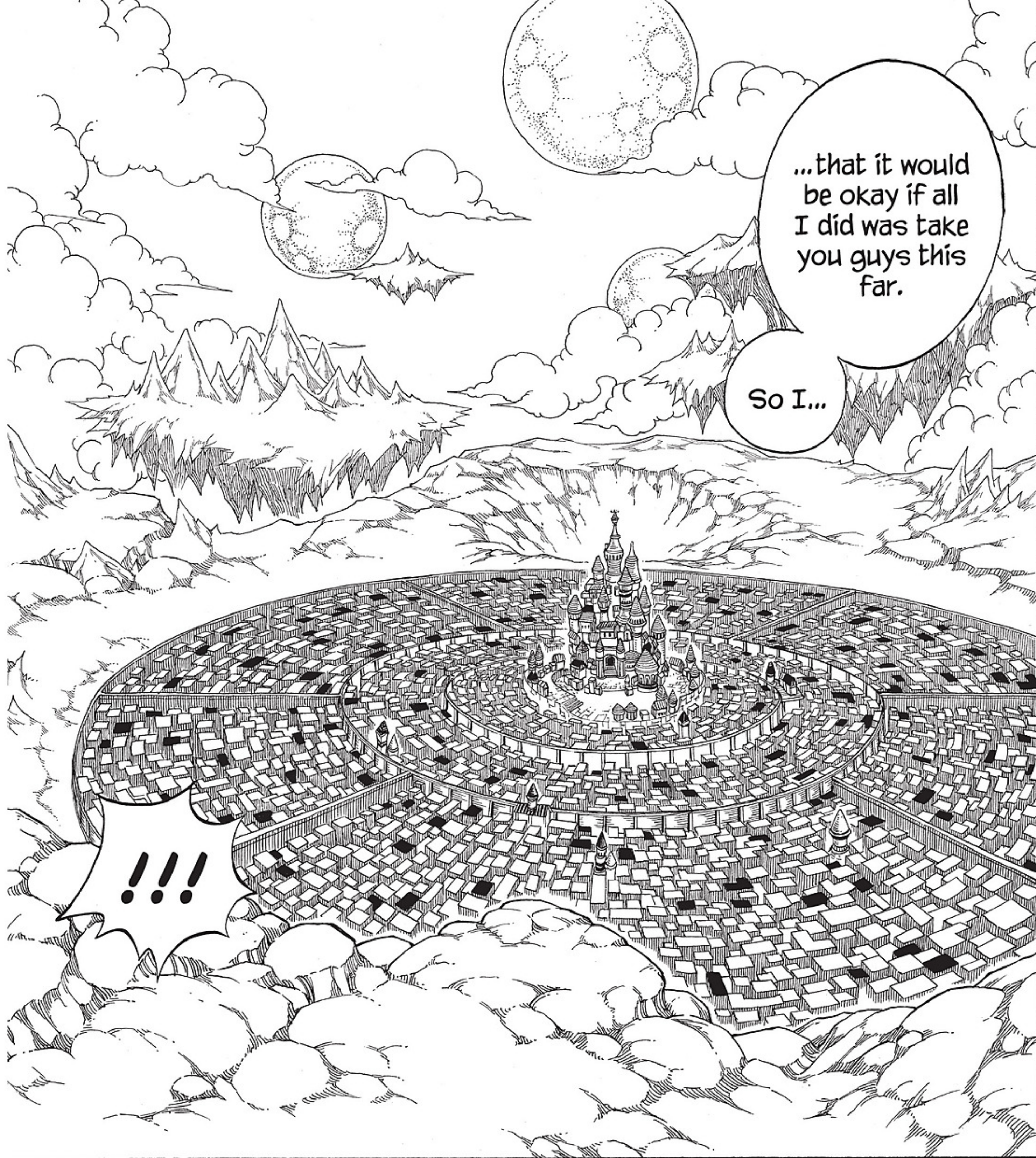








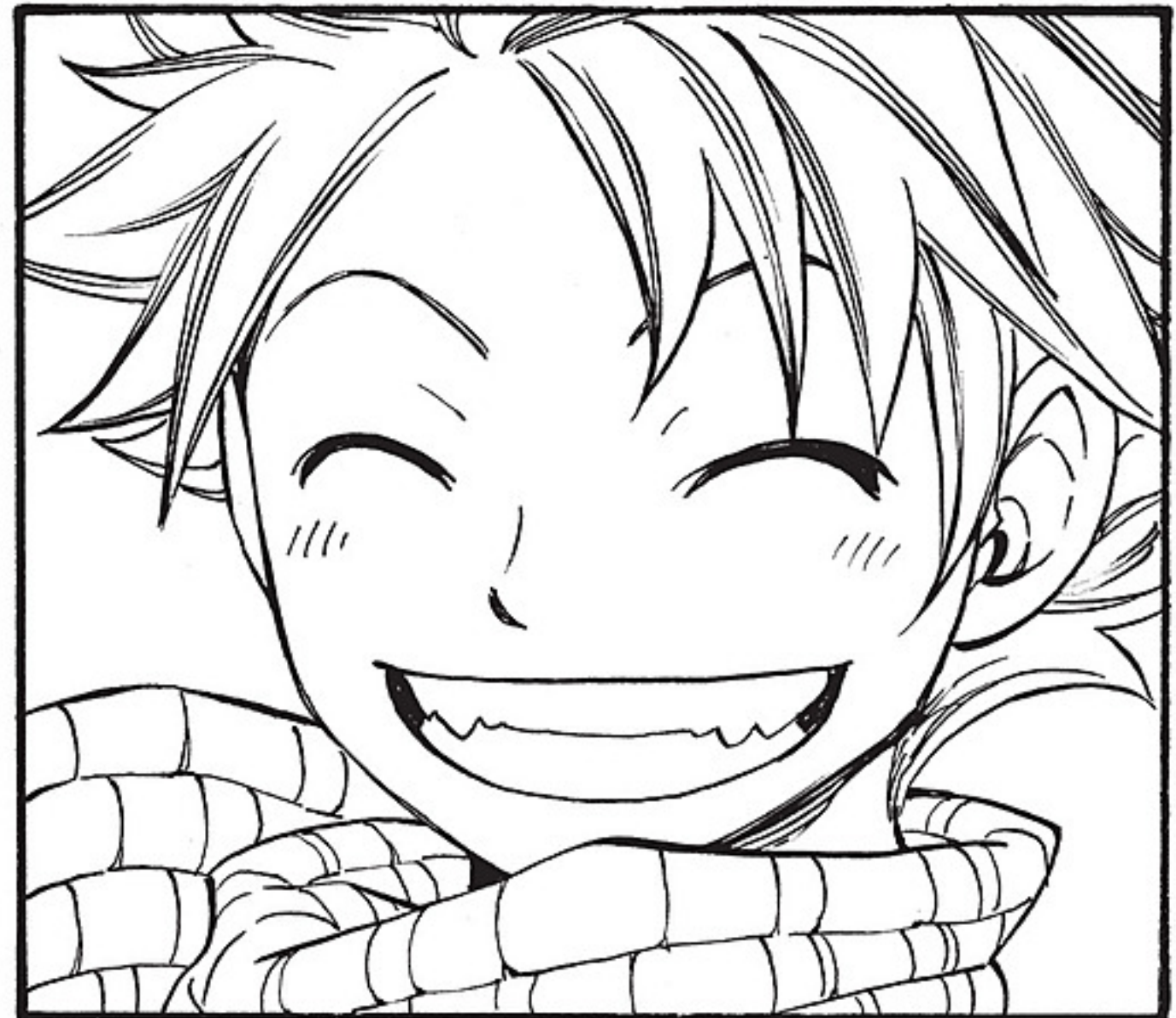
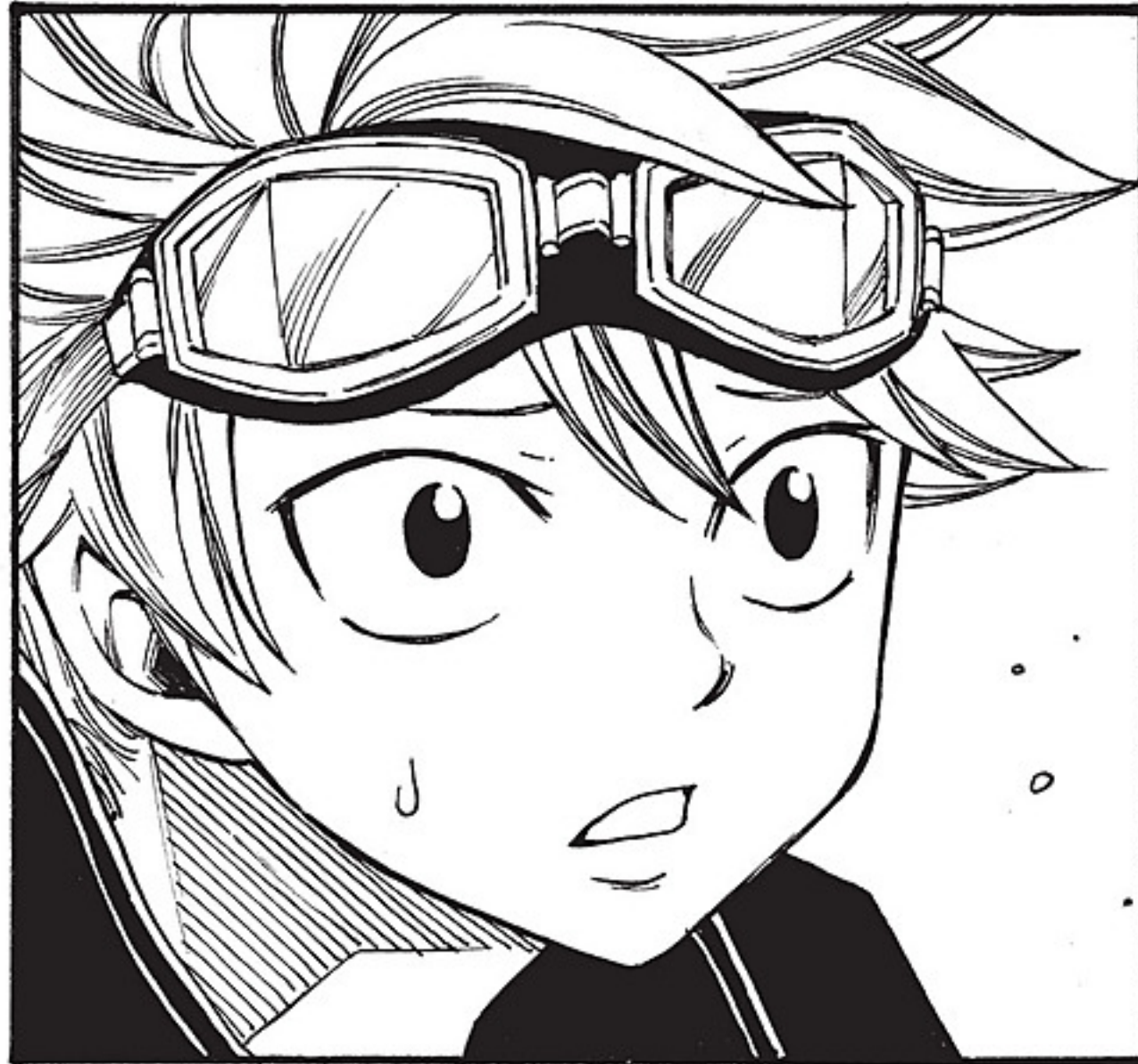




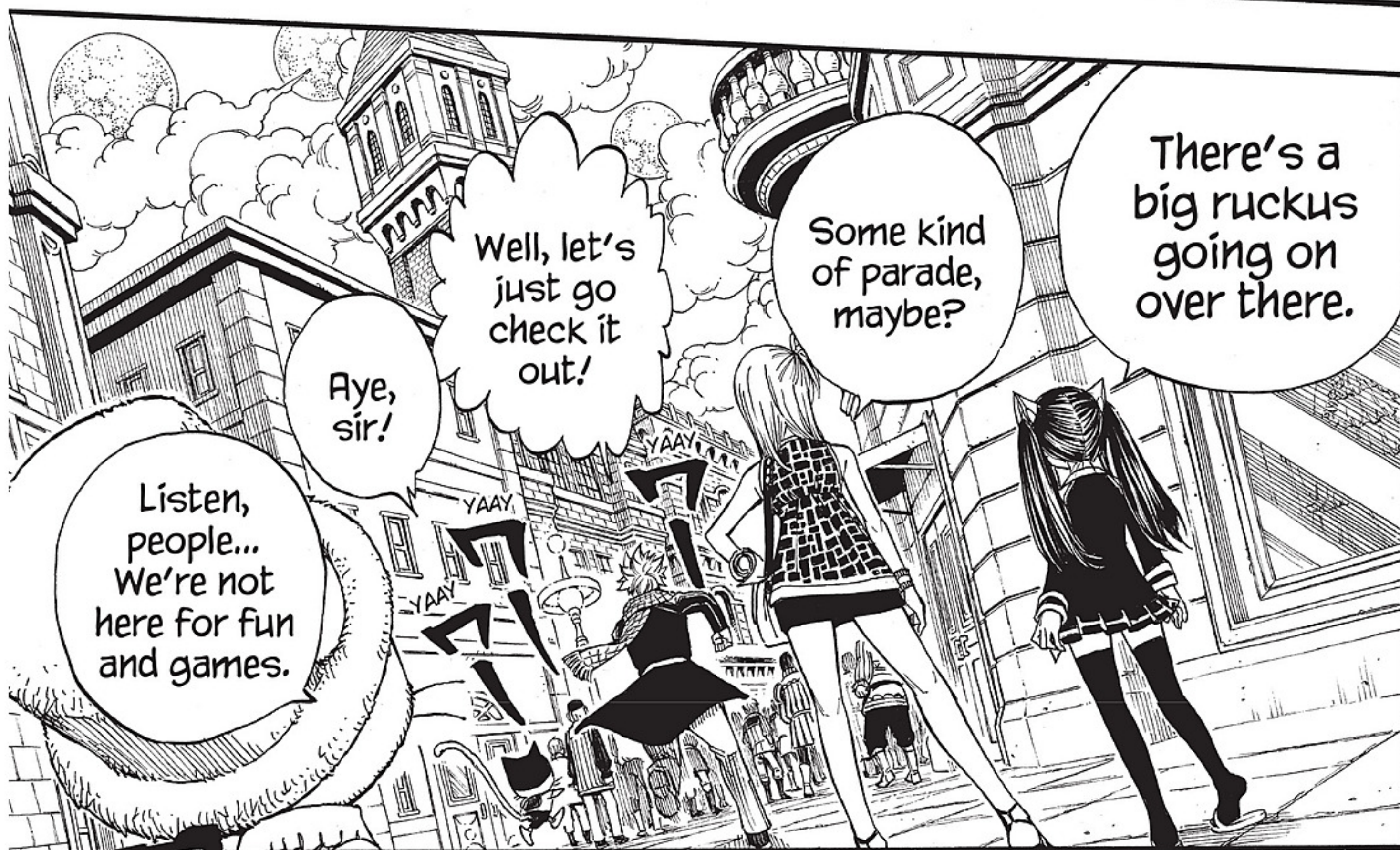
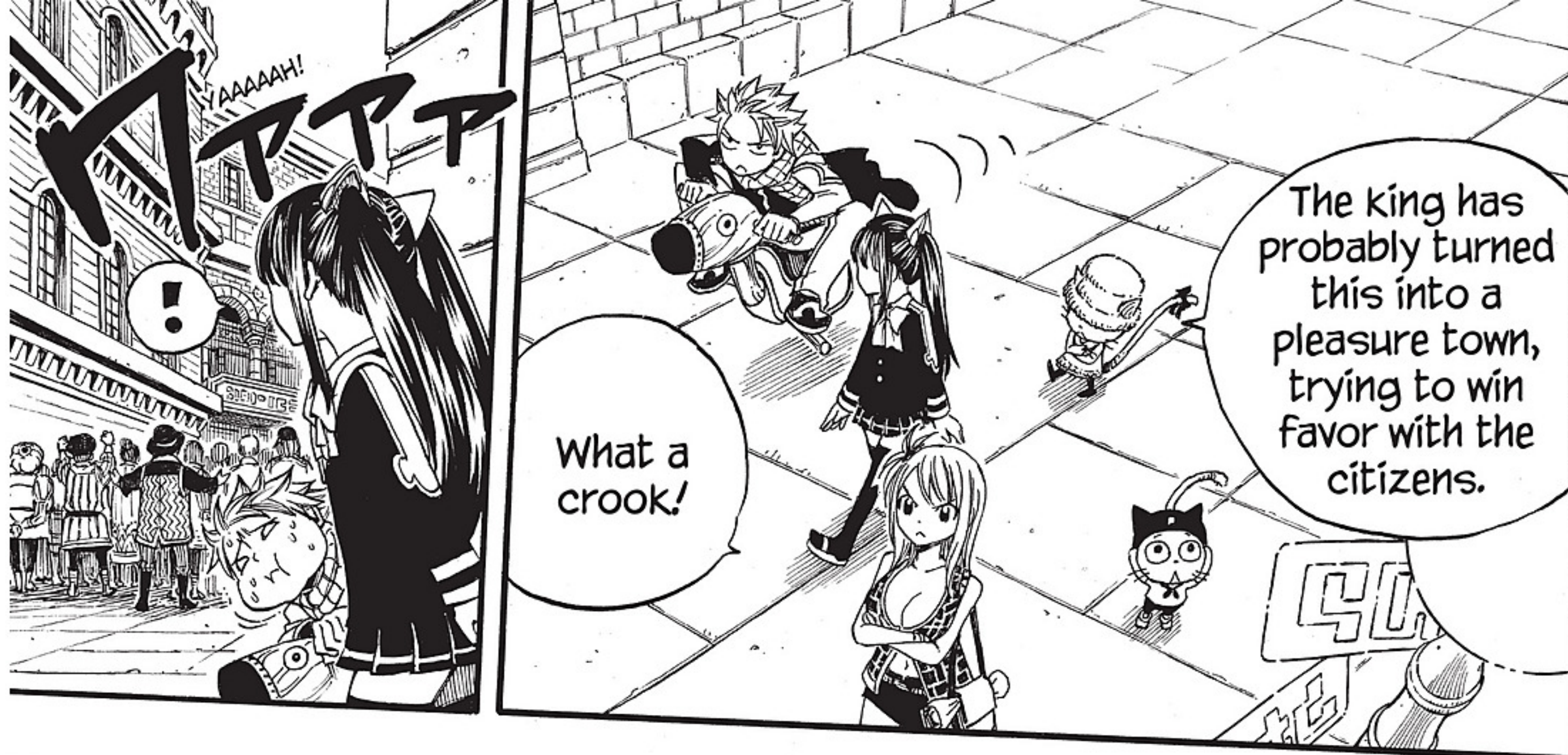




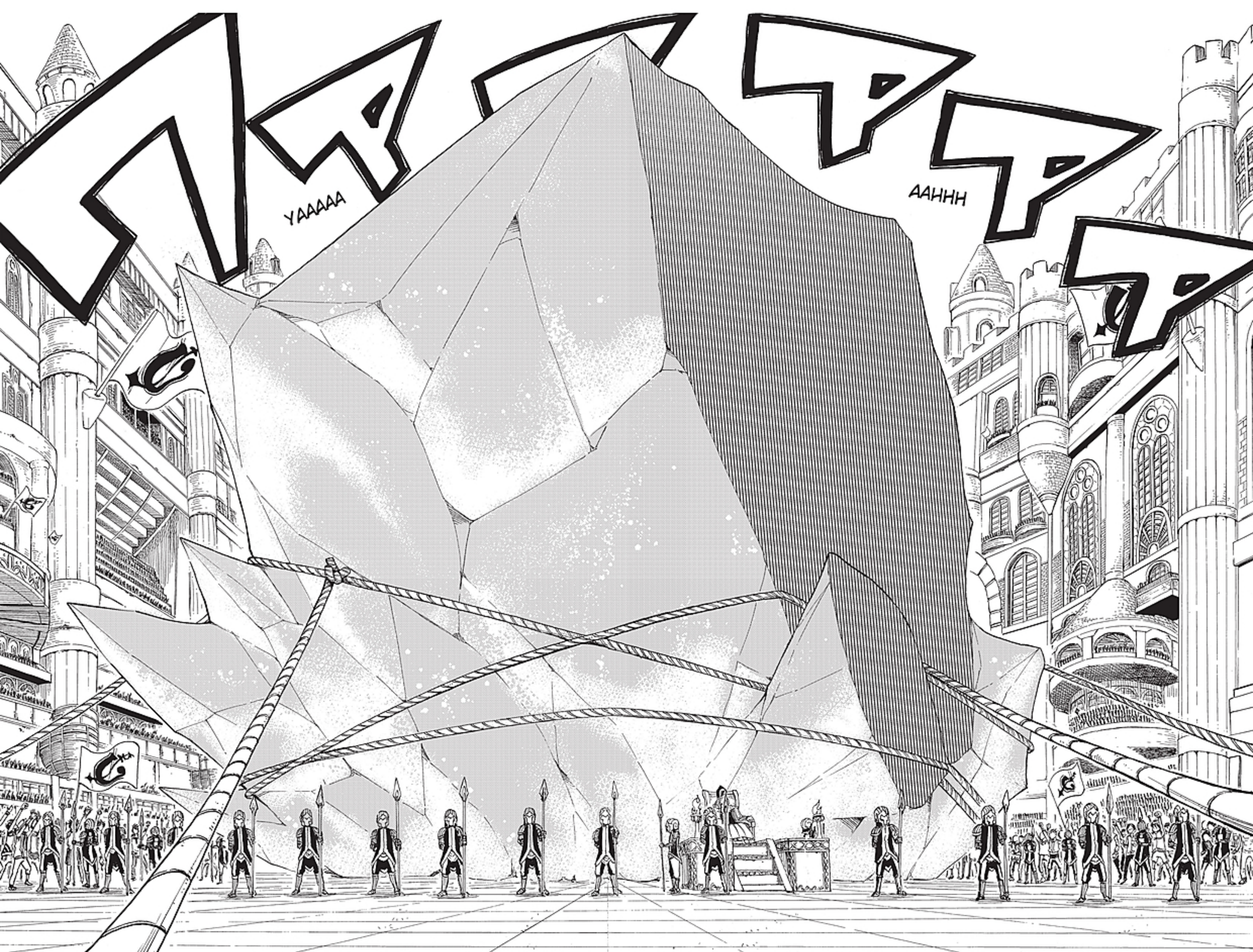




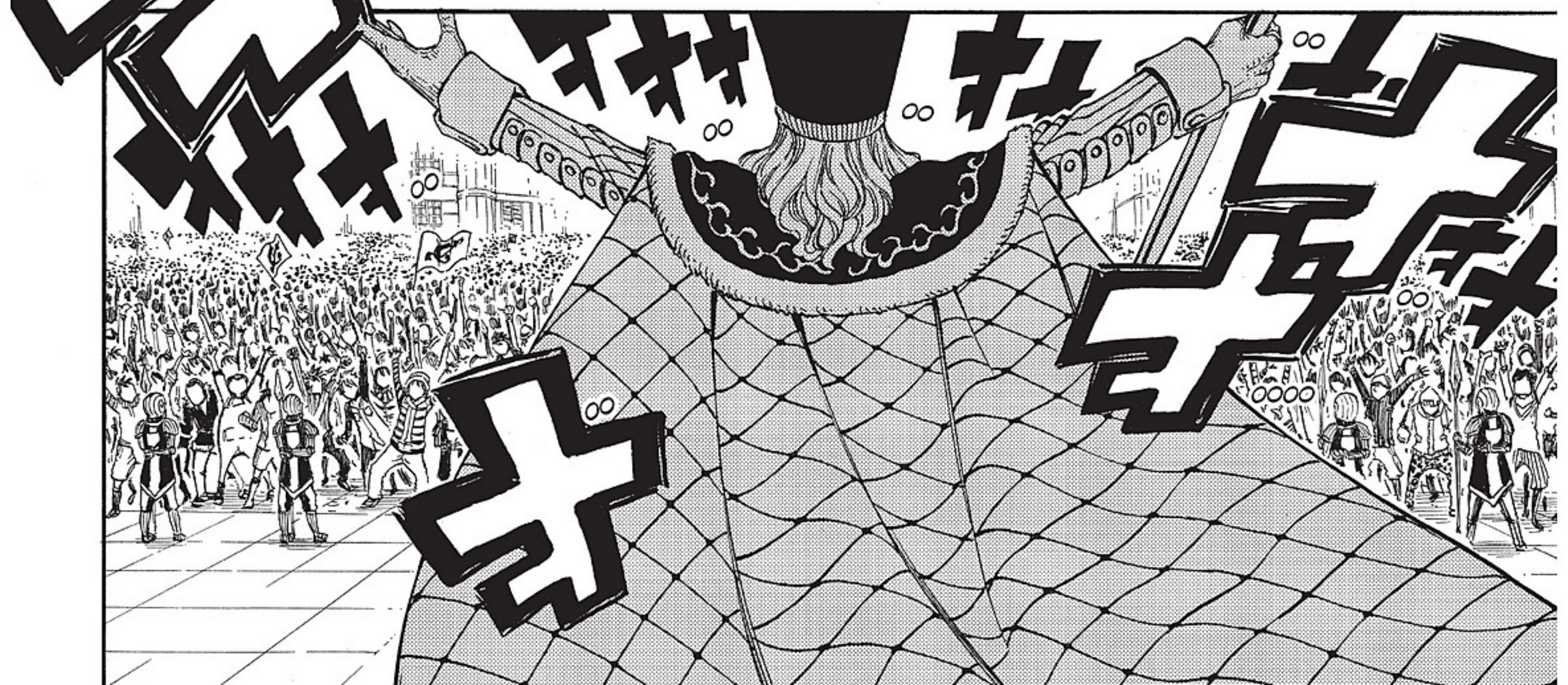
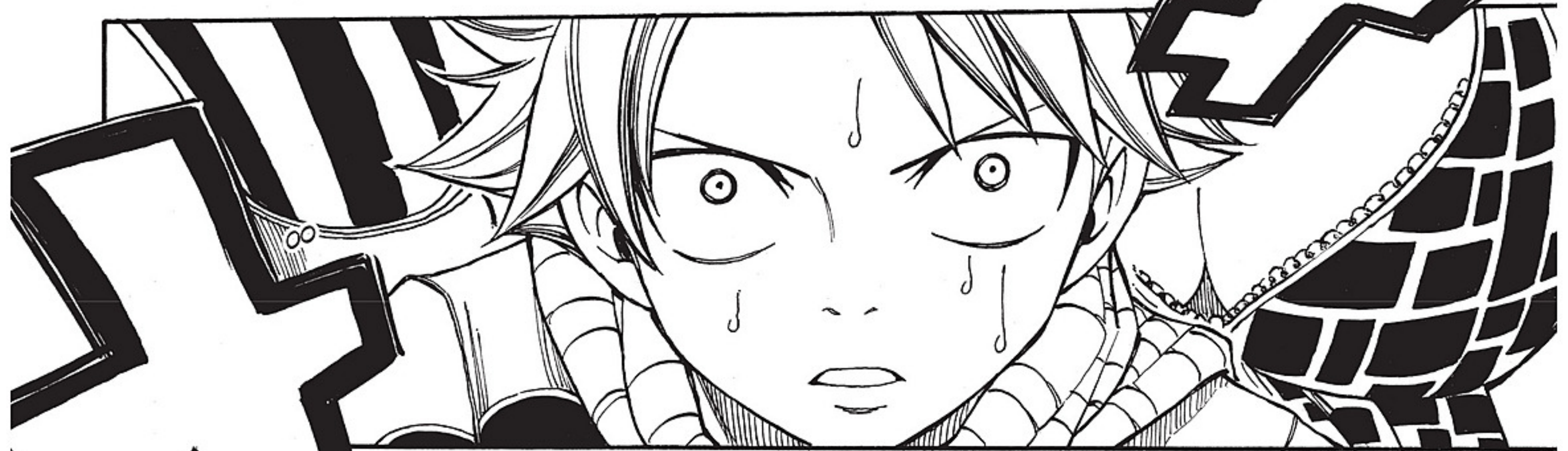




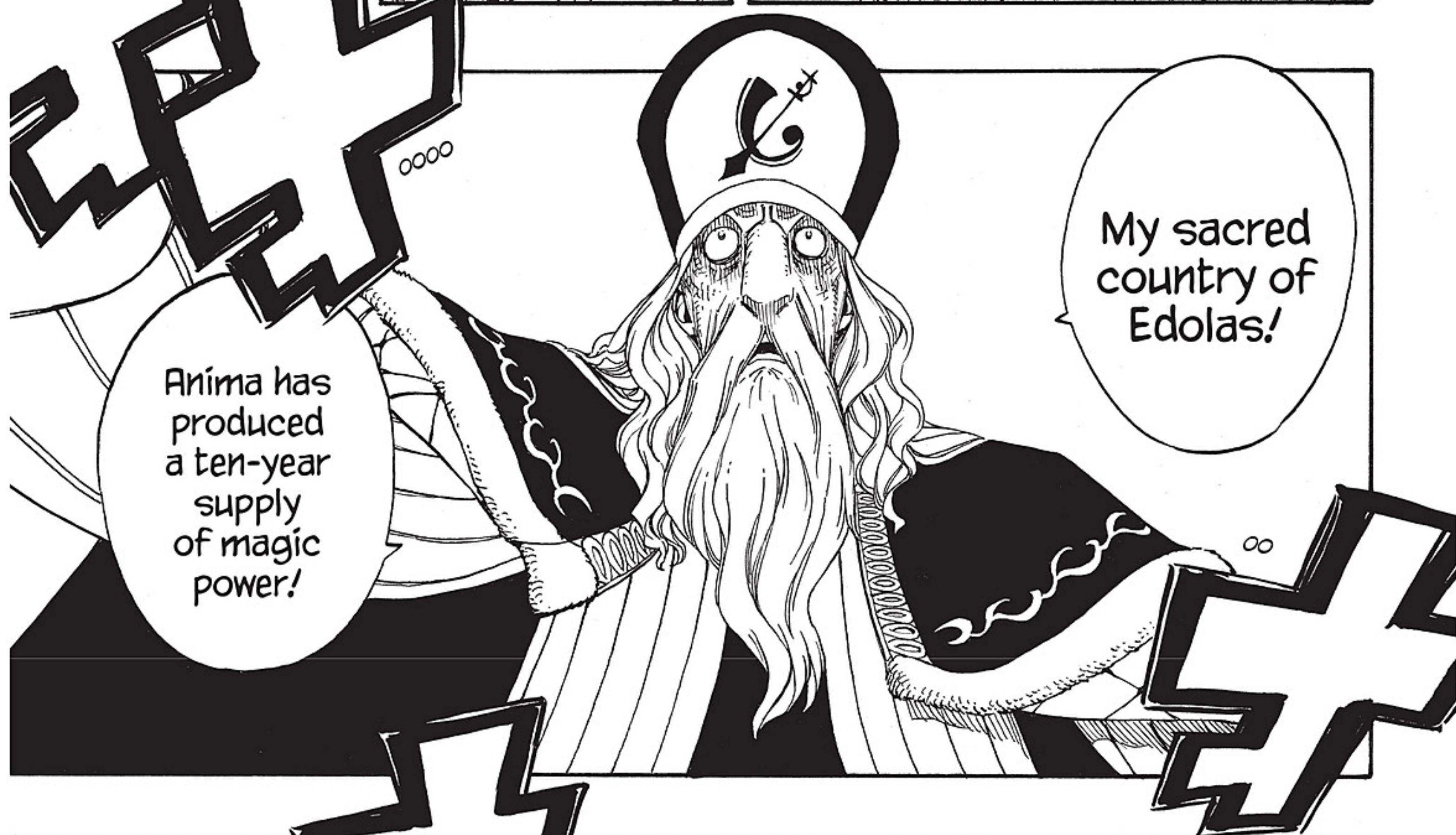
















ROAR

*No one  
can take  
away our  
nation's  
magical  
power!!!!*



ROAR

*Each and  
every citizen  
of Edolas  
has the right  
to share in  
this magic  
power!*

*And I pledge  
here today  
that we will  
obtain even  
more magic  
than this  
!!!!*



*The citizens  
of Edolas  
are a sacred  
race that will  
endure for  
eternity!!!*



ROAR



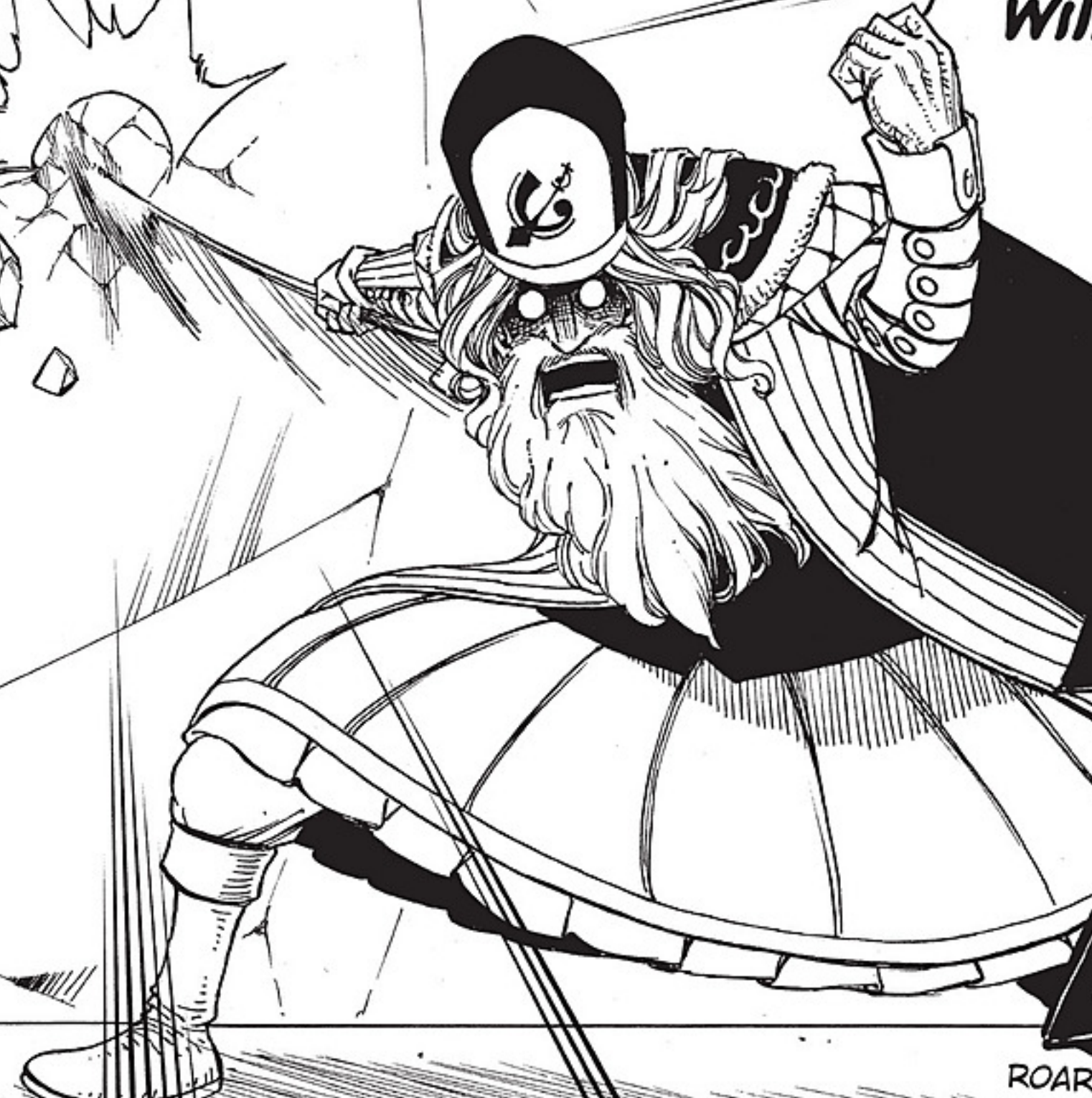
ROAR

KRAKK



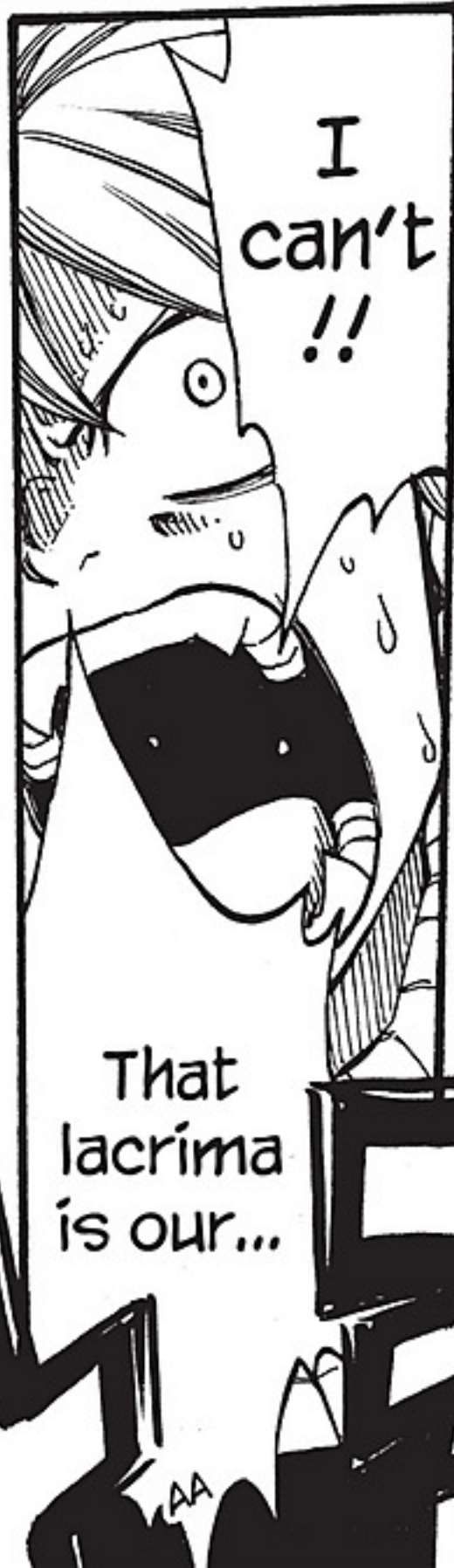
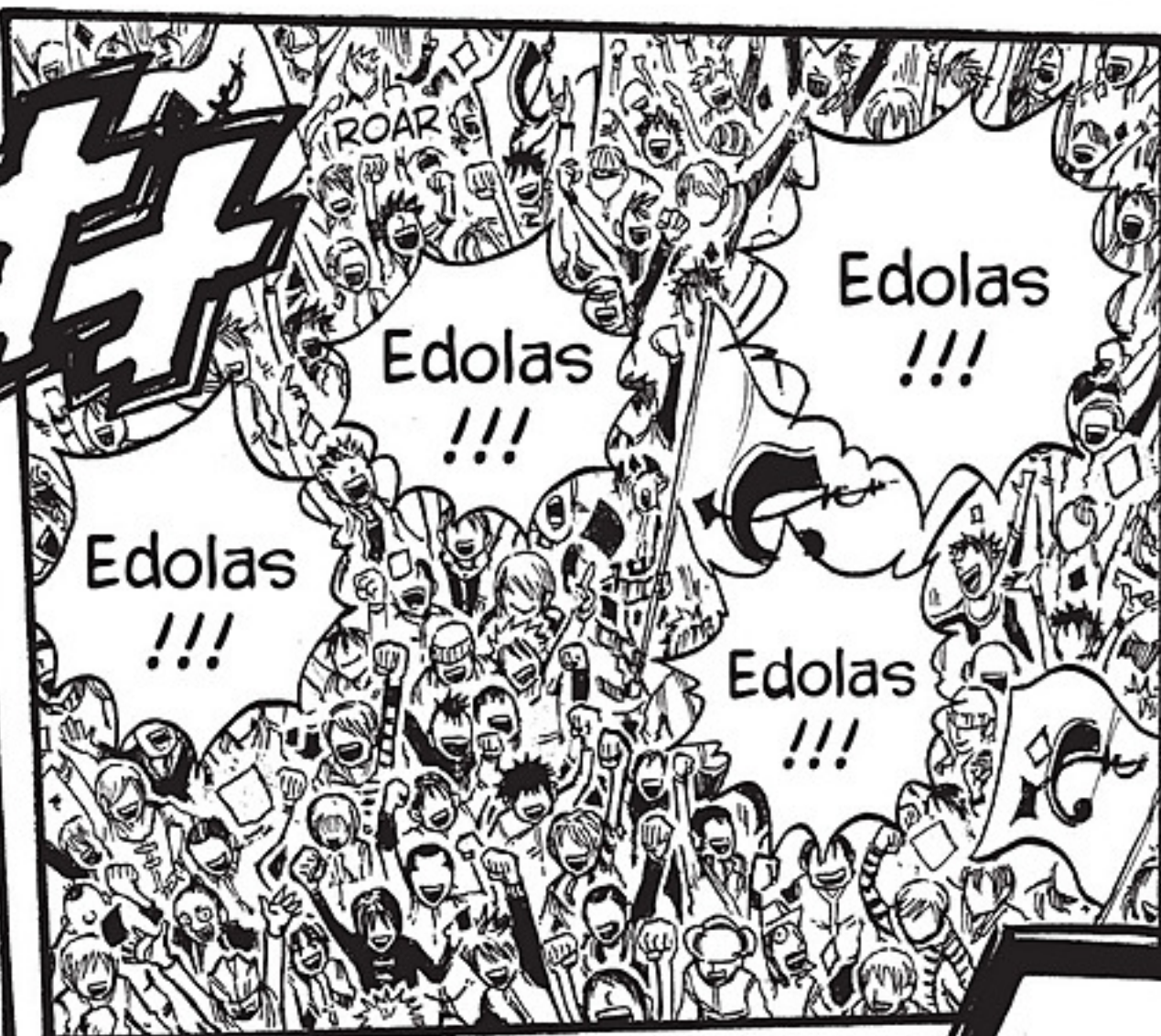
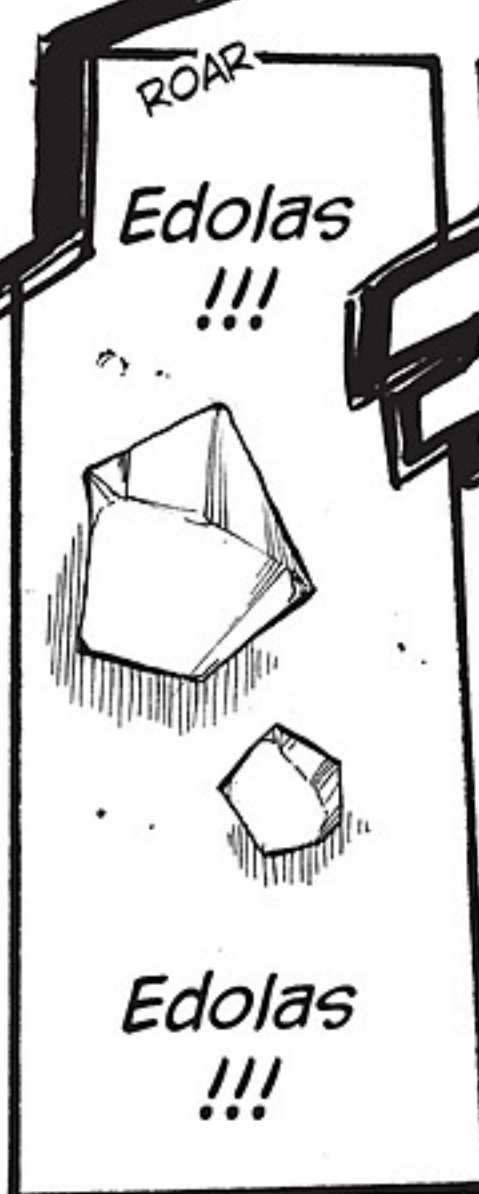
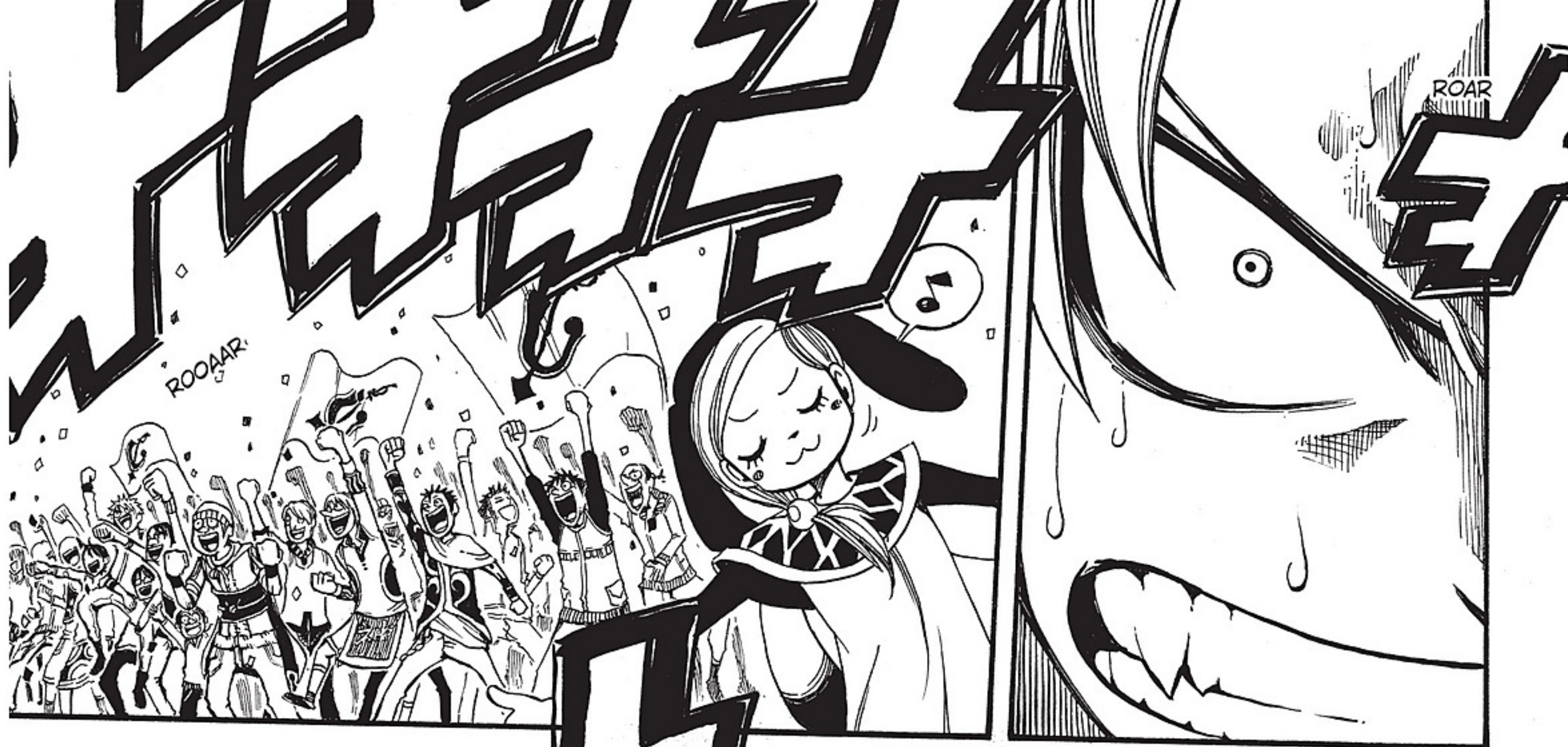
ROAR

*We  
will be so  
powerful, this  
will seem like  
nothing  
!!!!*

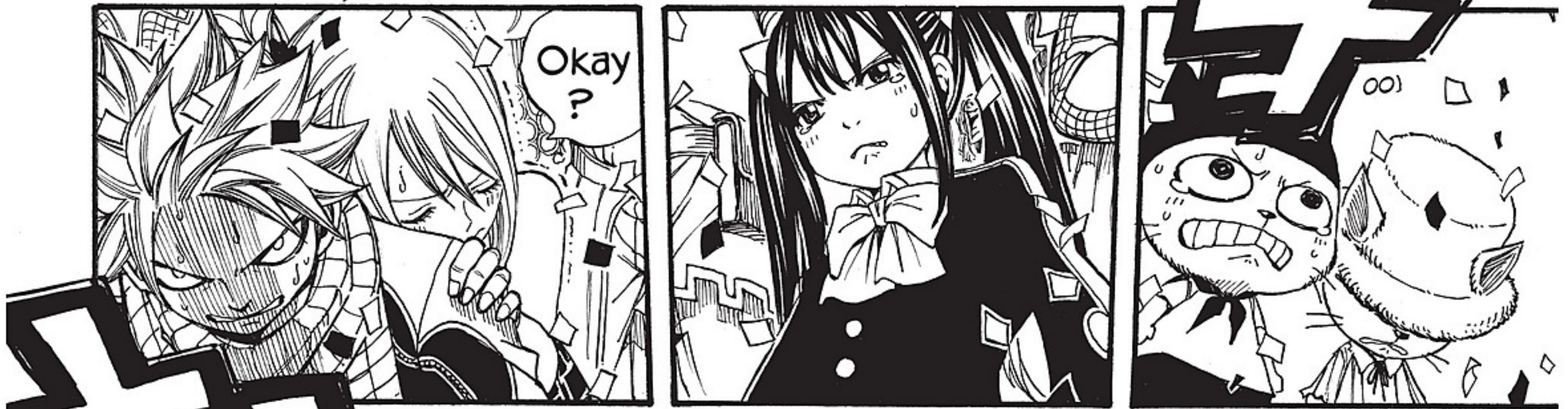


ROAR











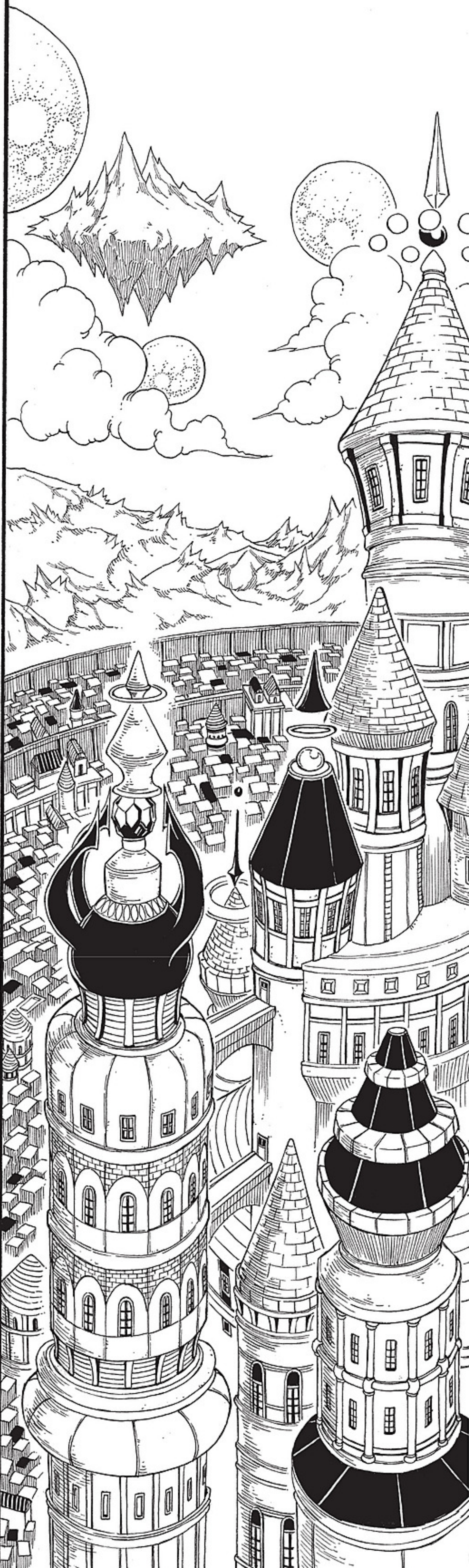
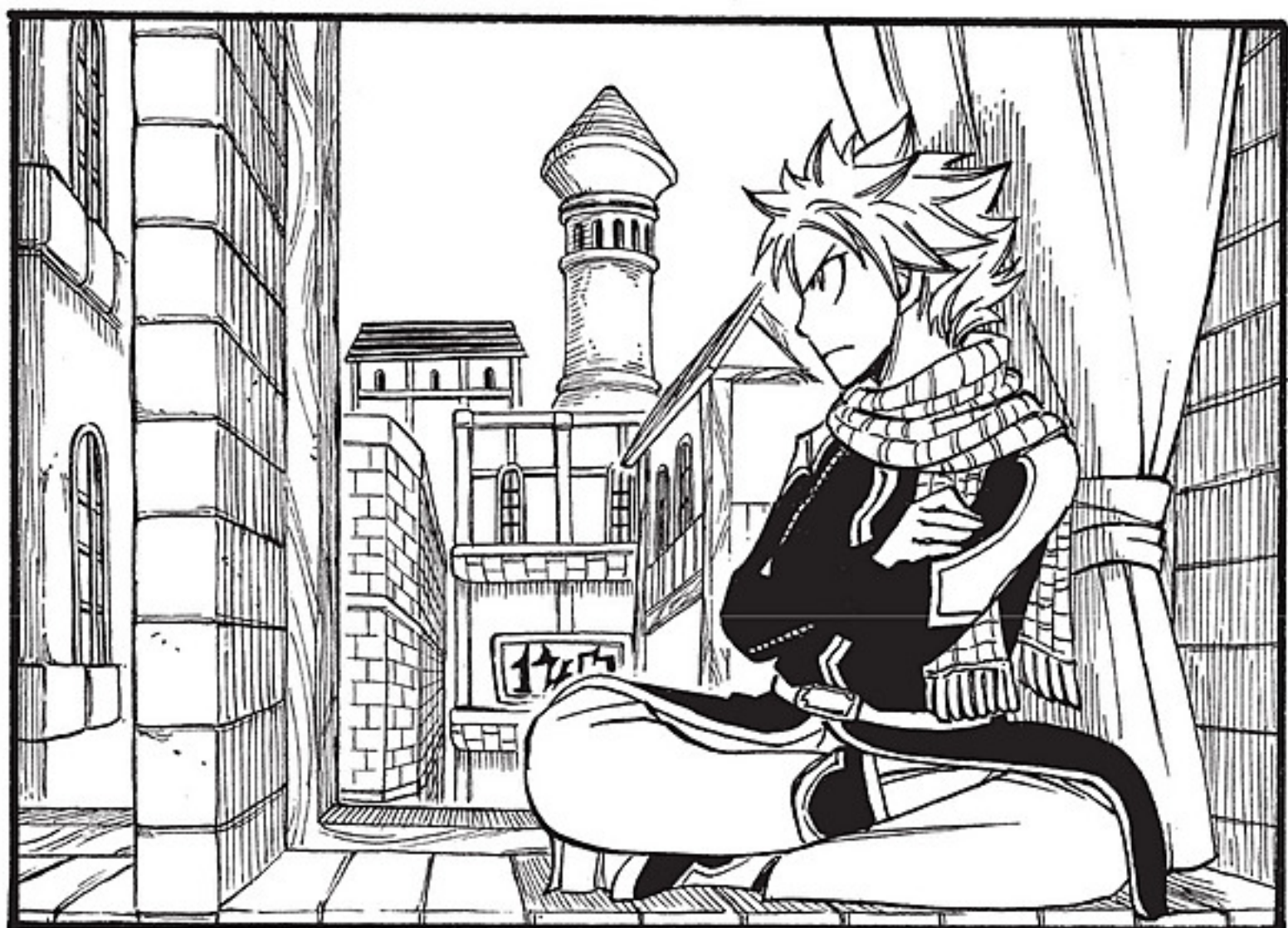
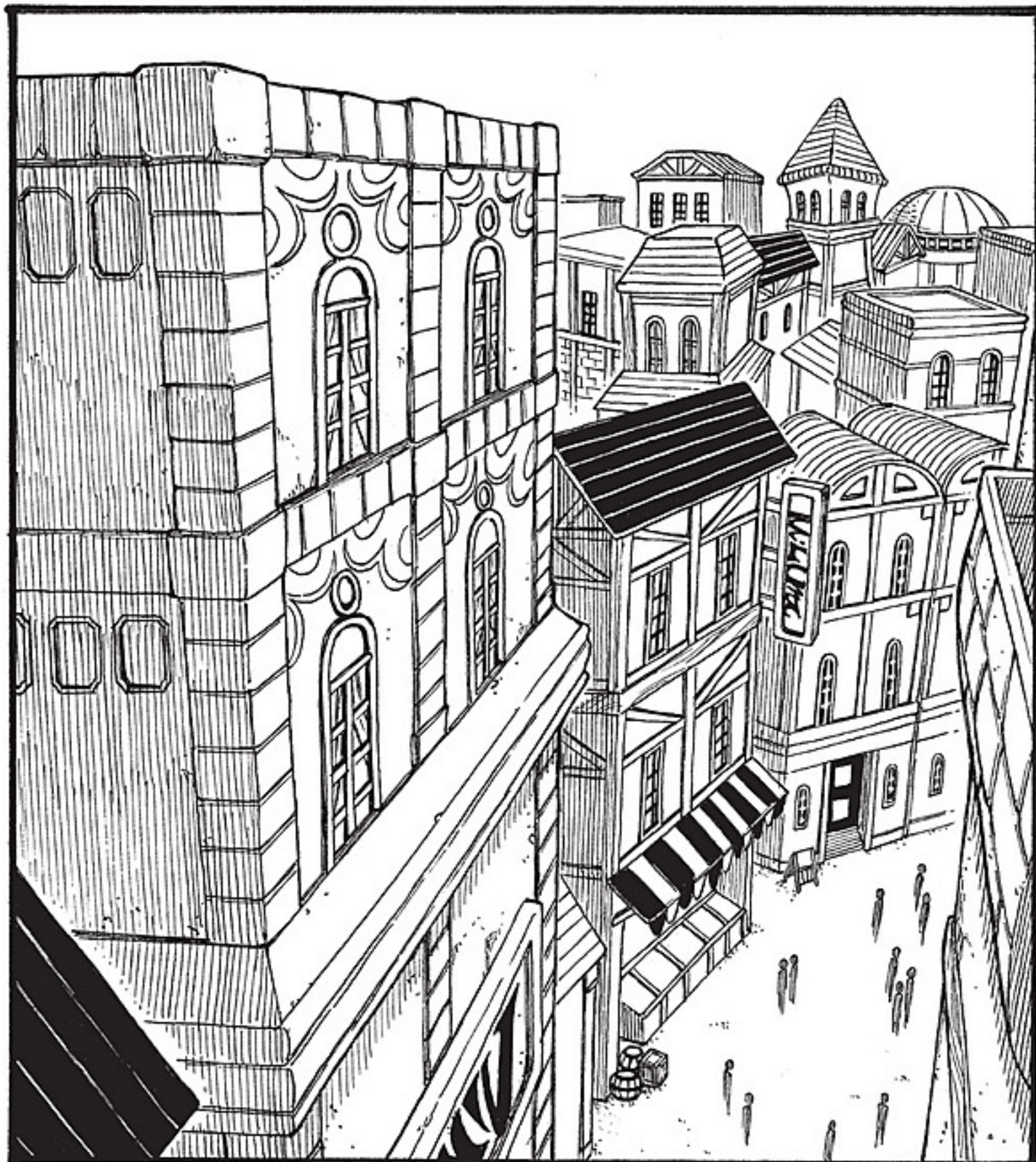
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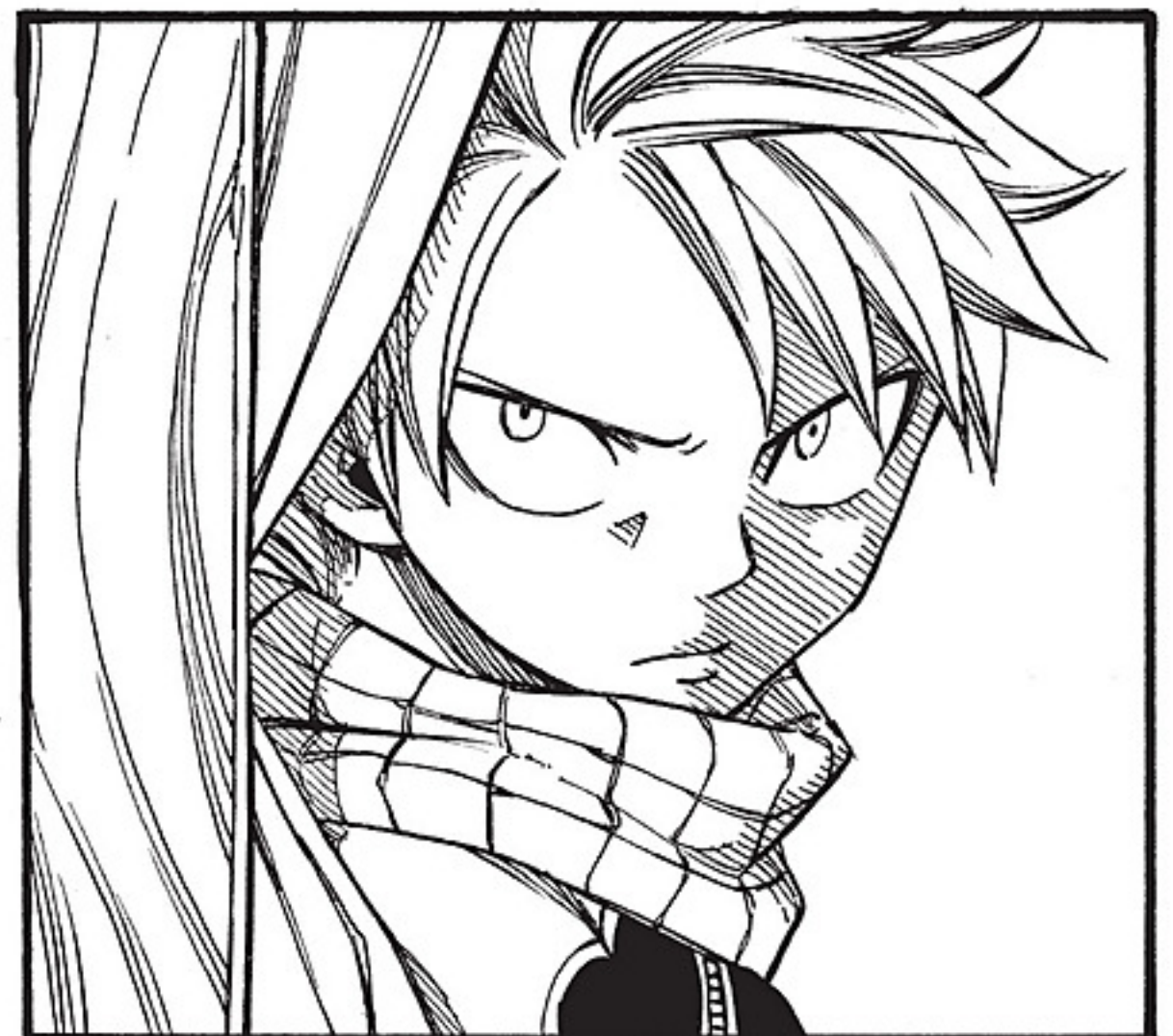
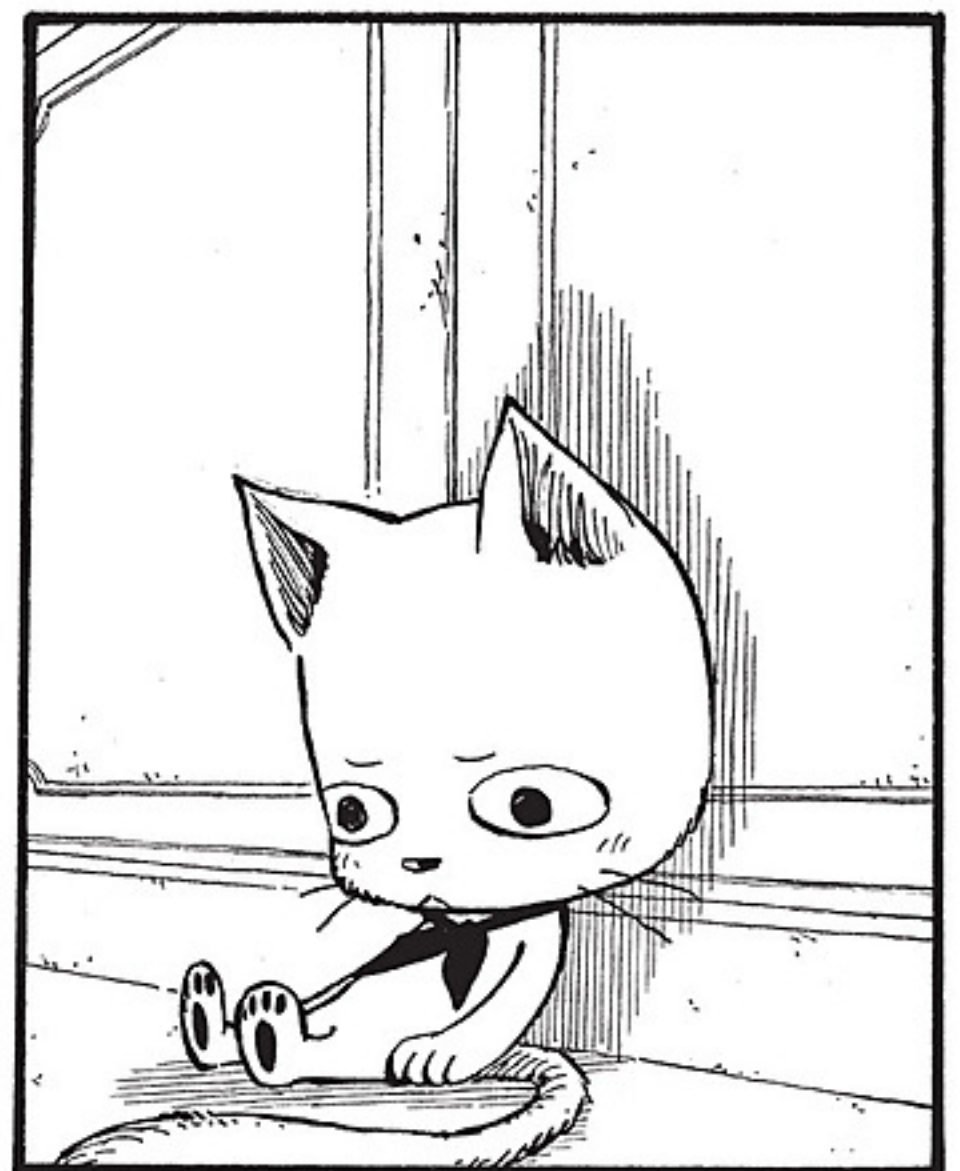
## Chapter 175: Welcome Home



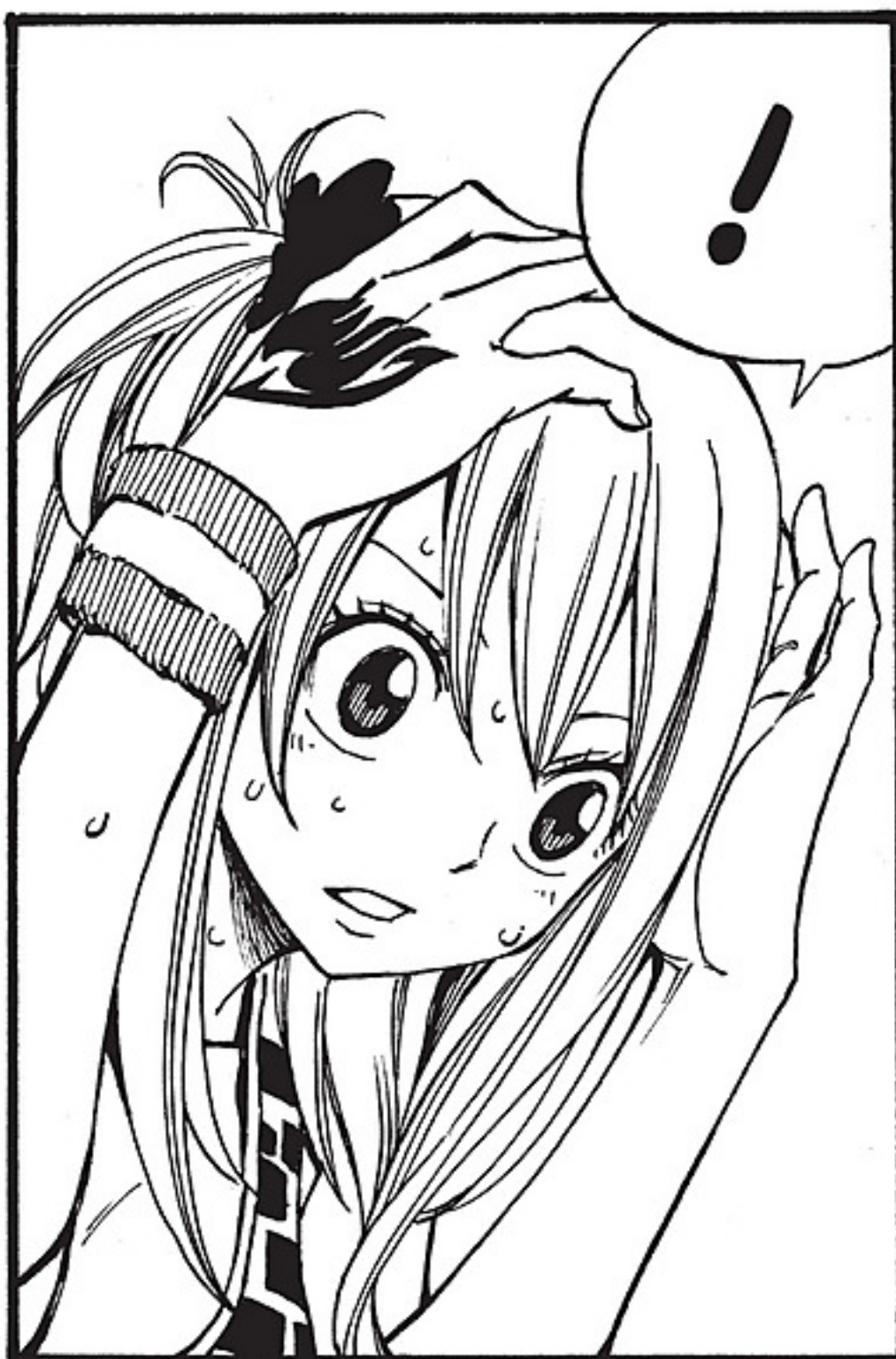




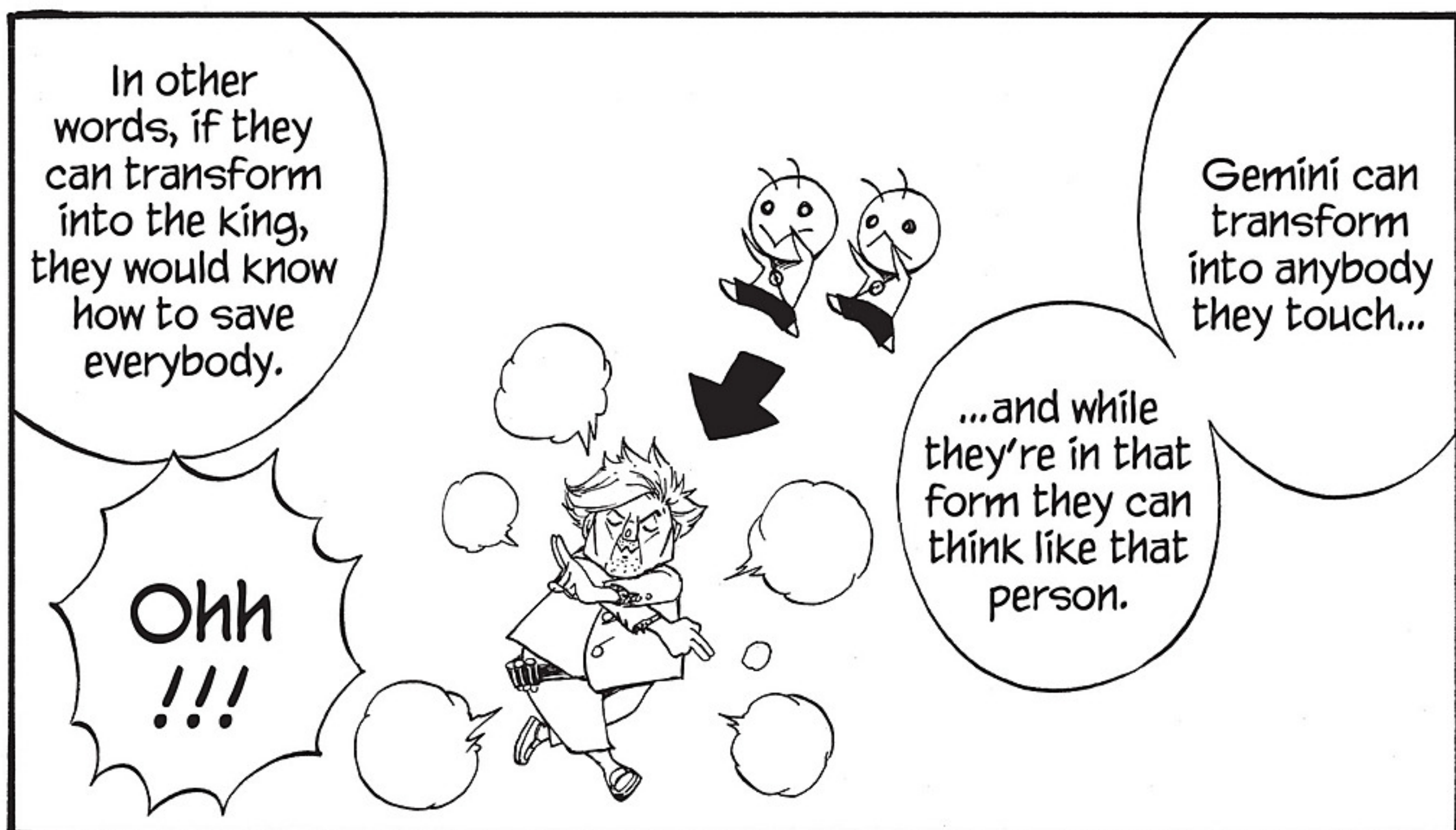
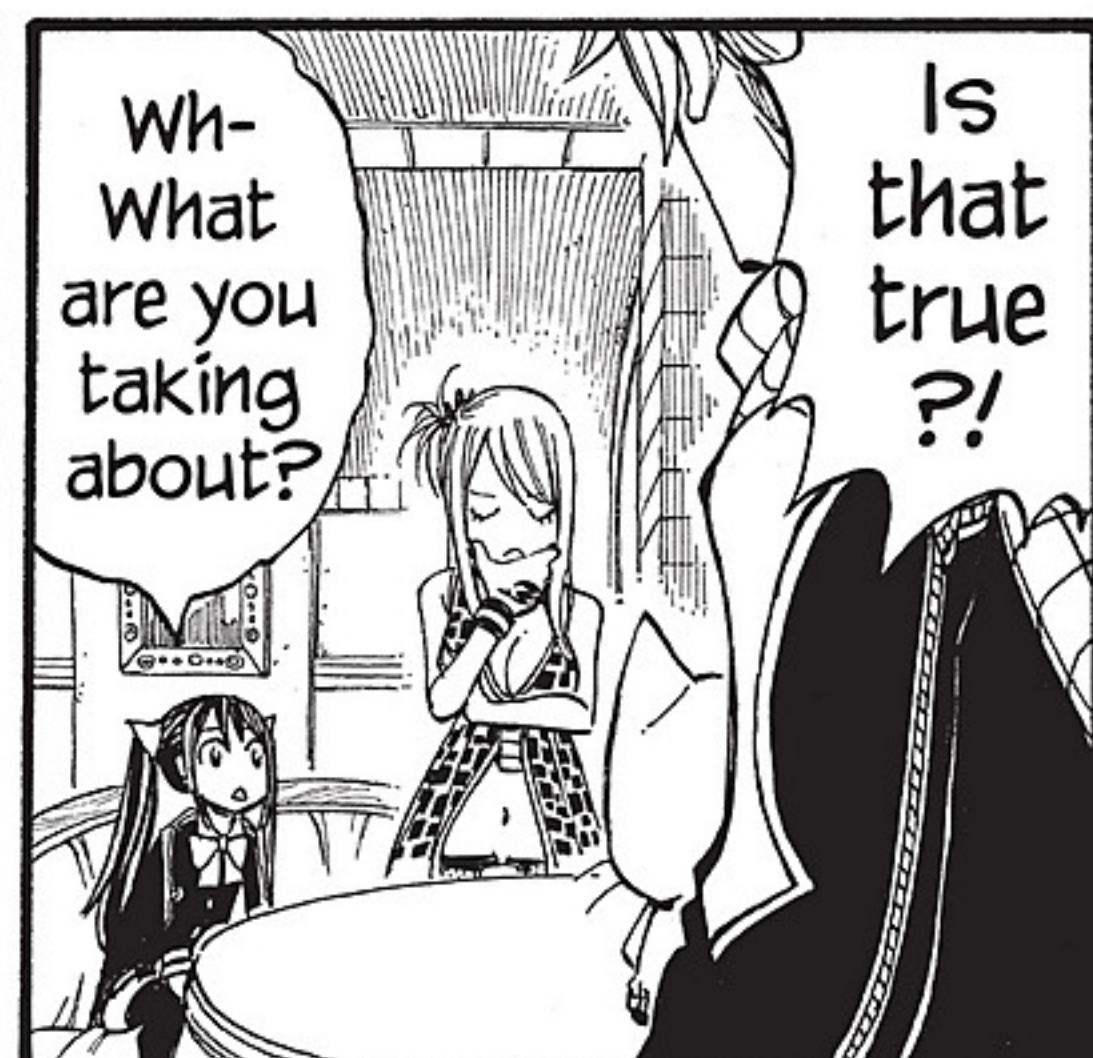
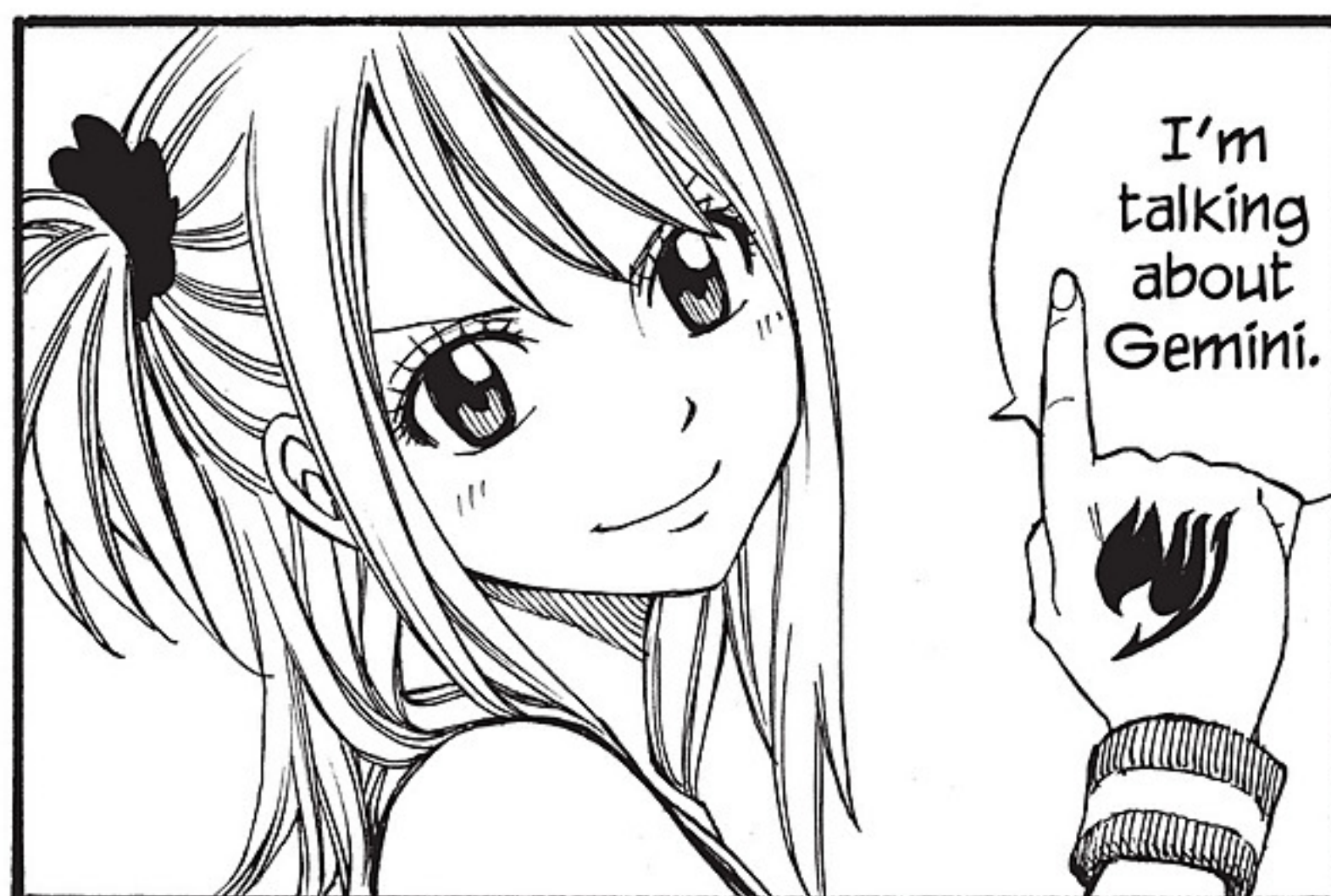




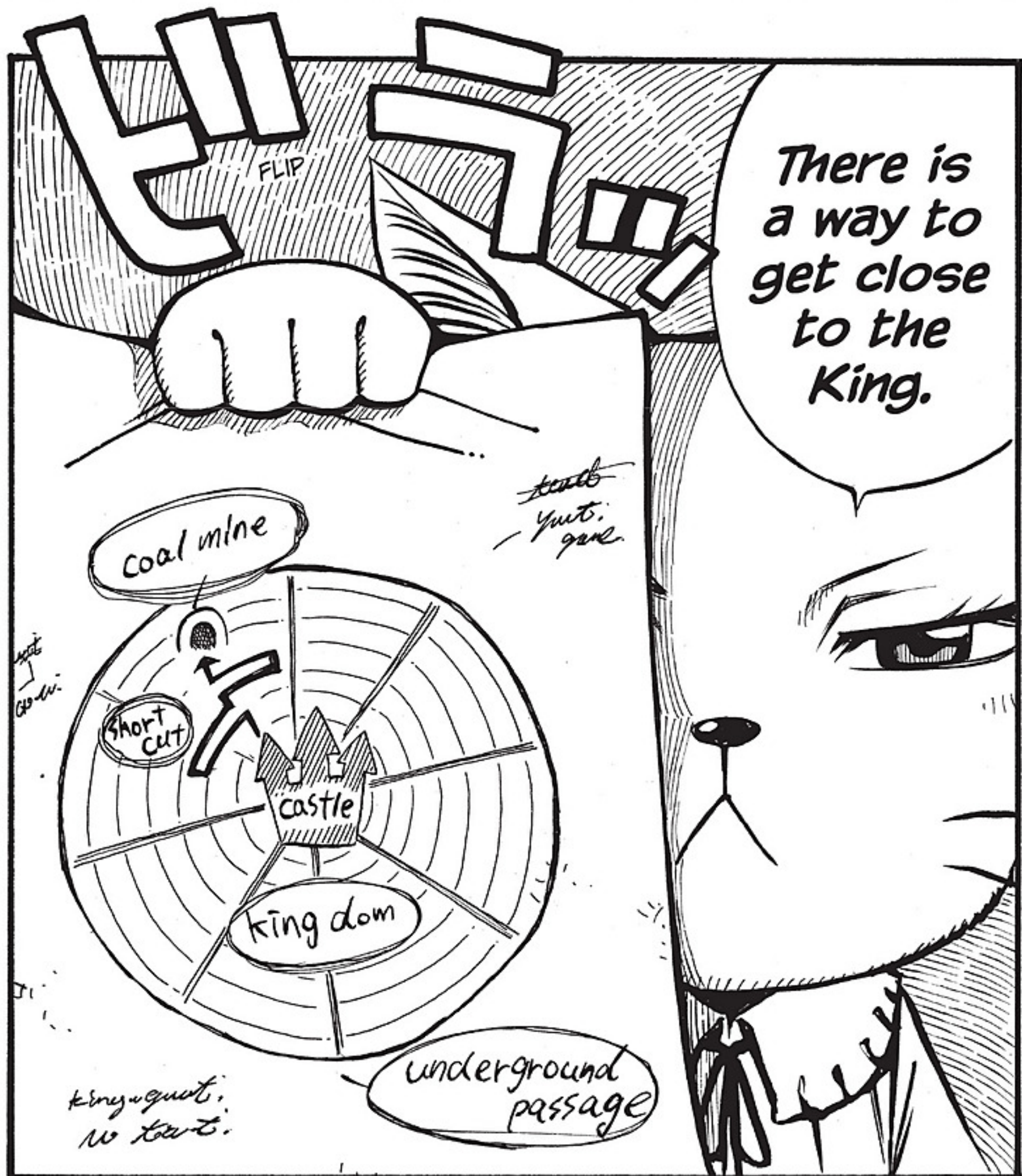
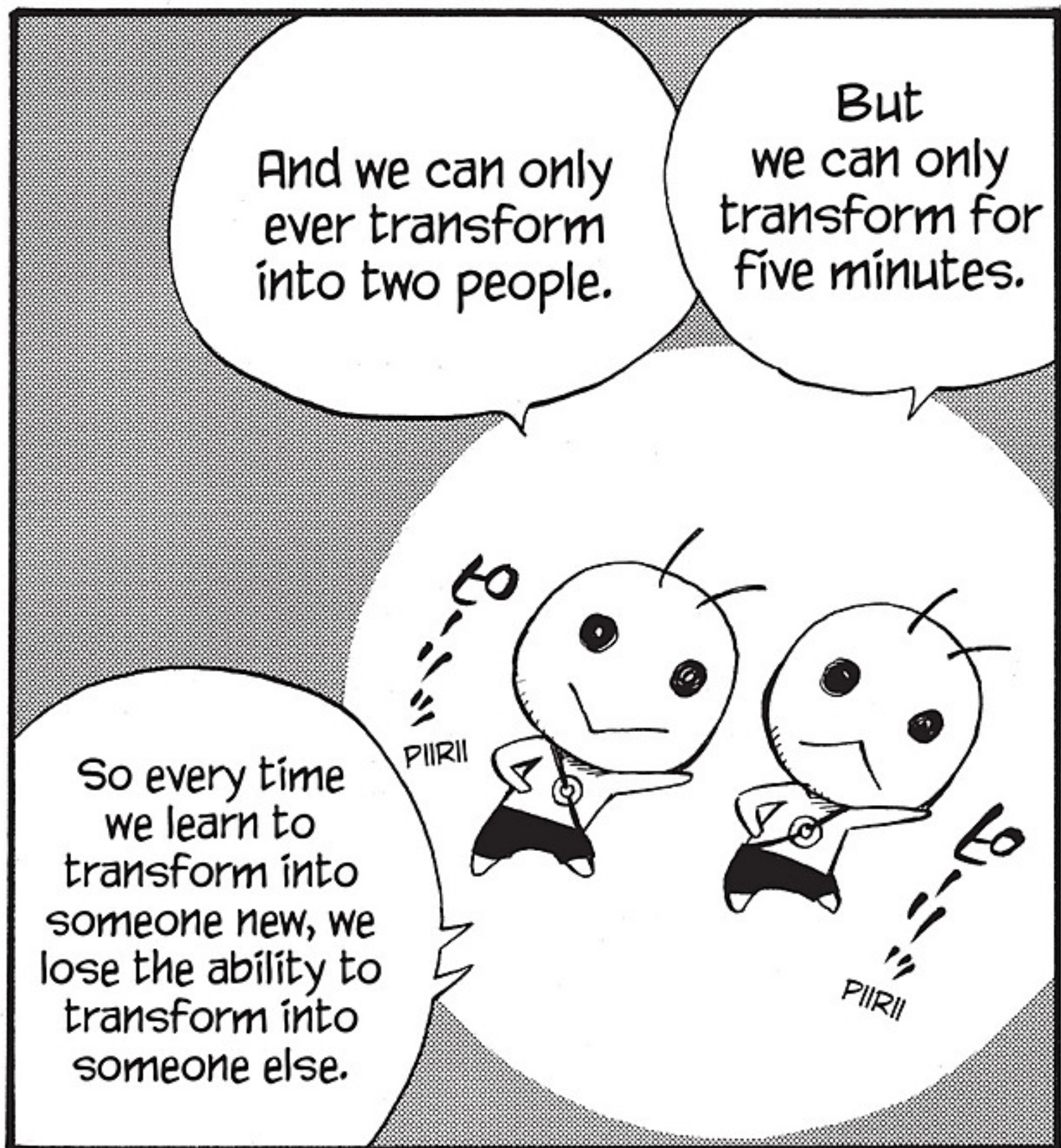
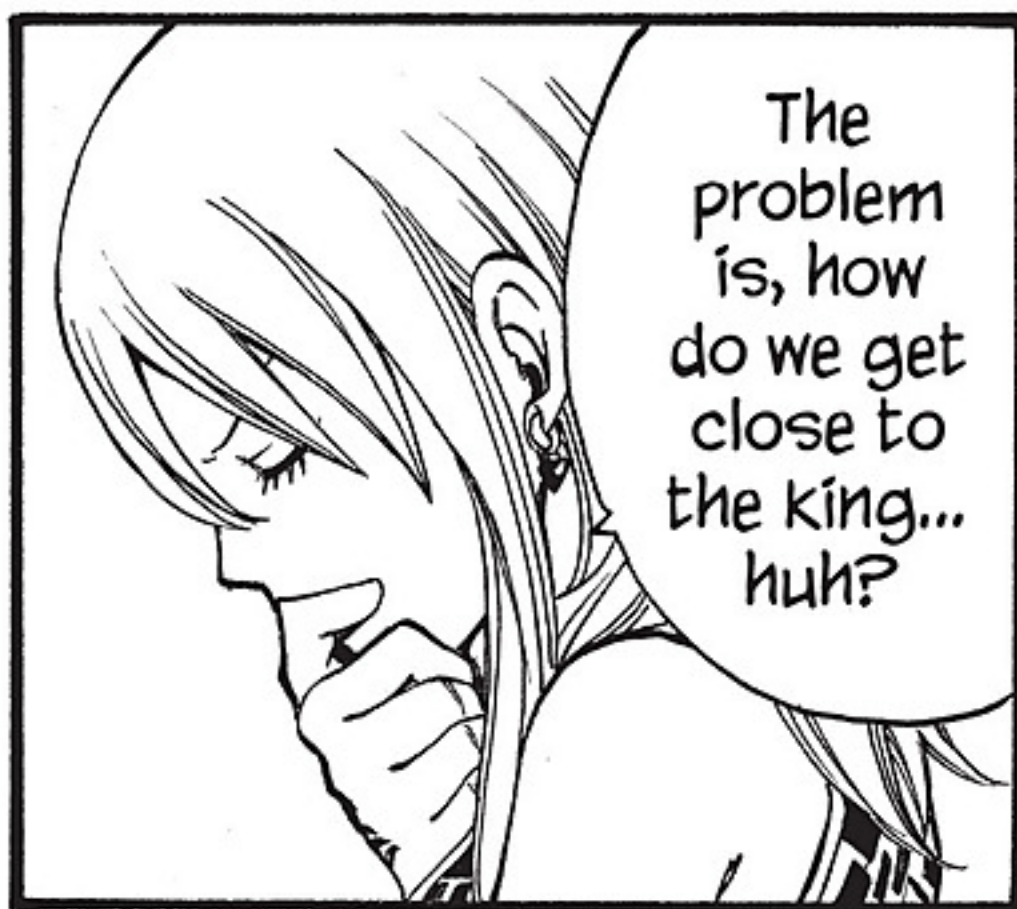




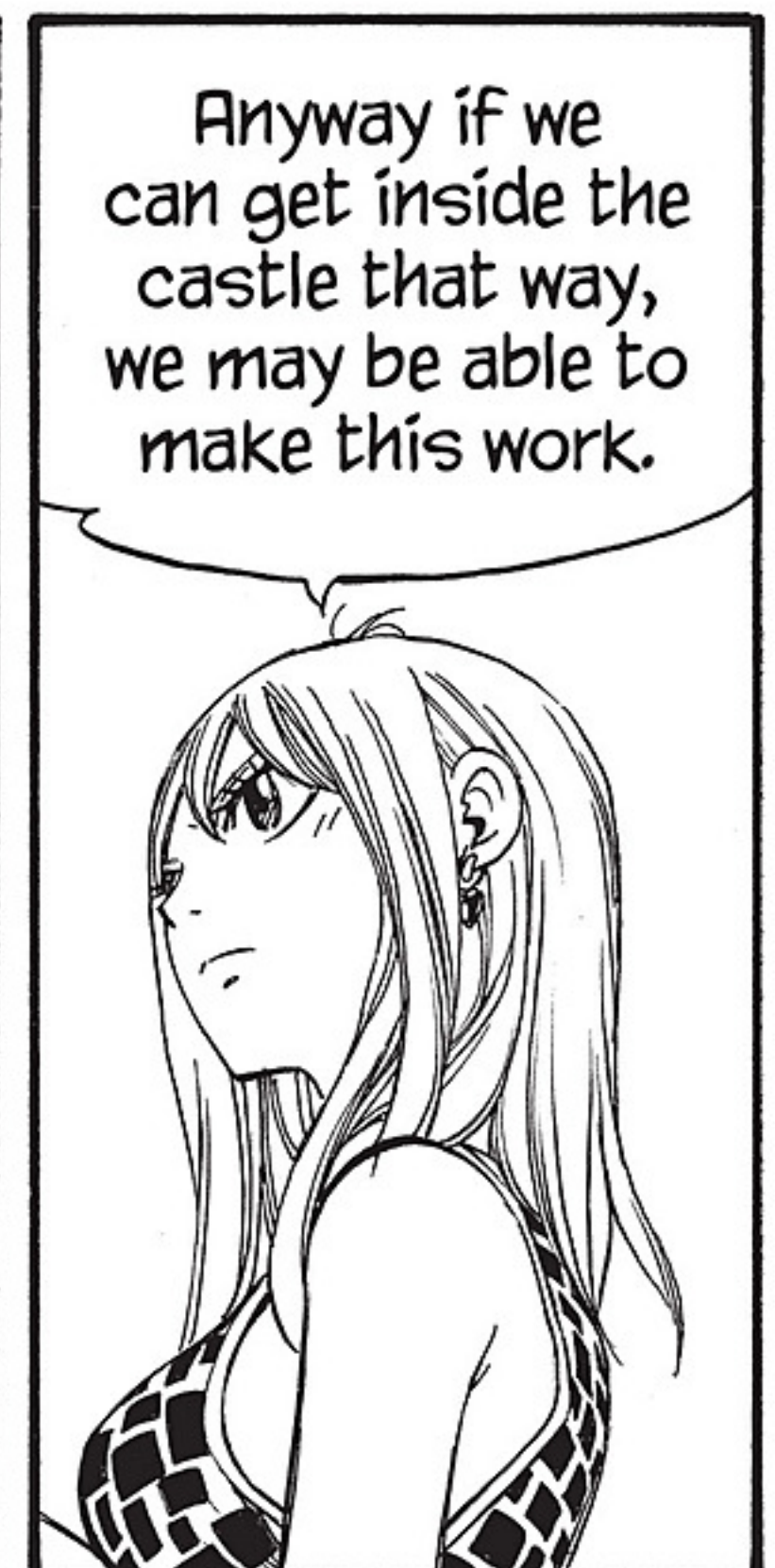
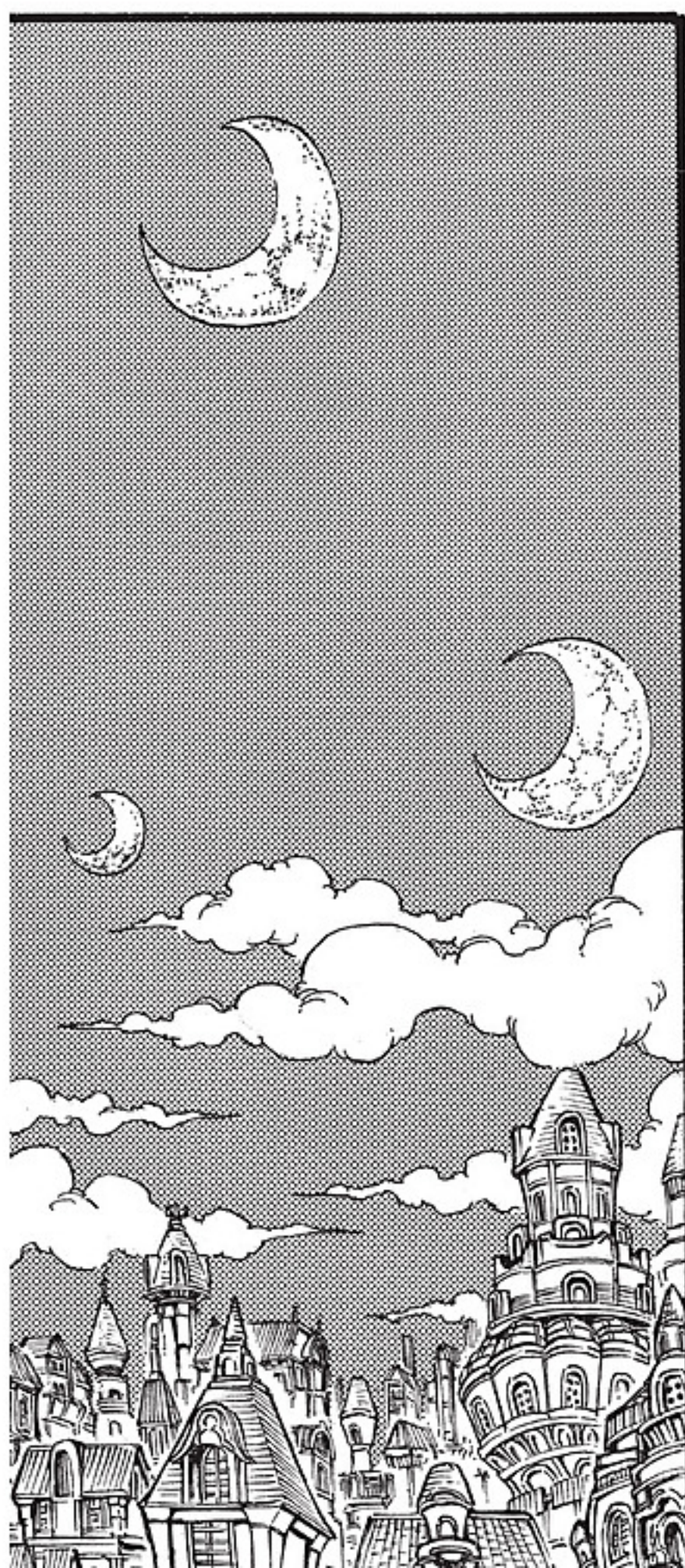
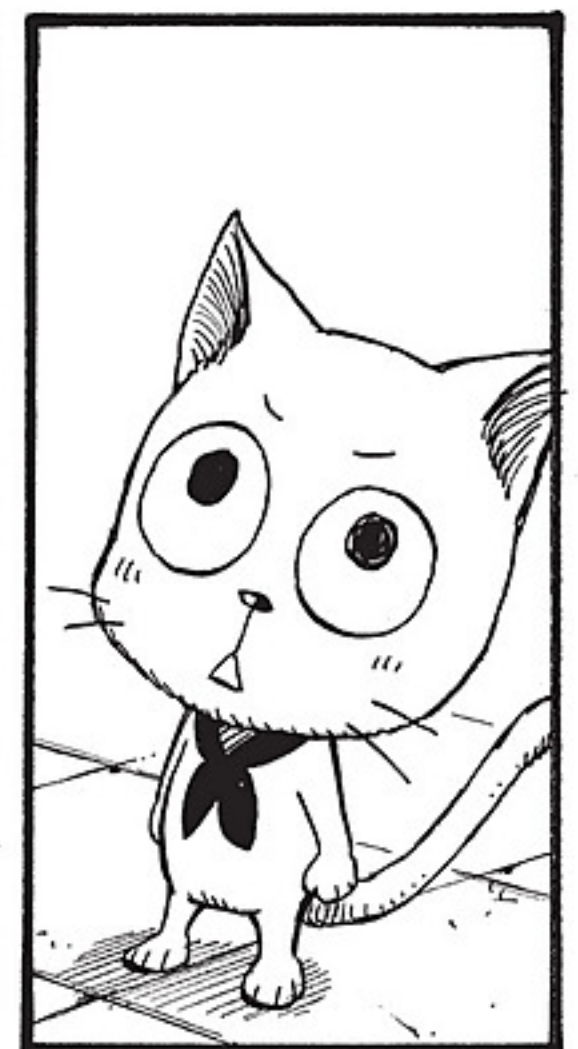
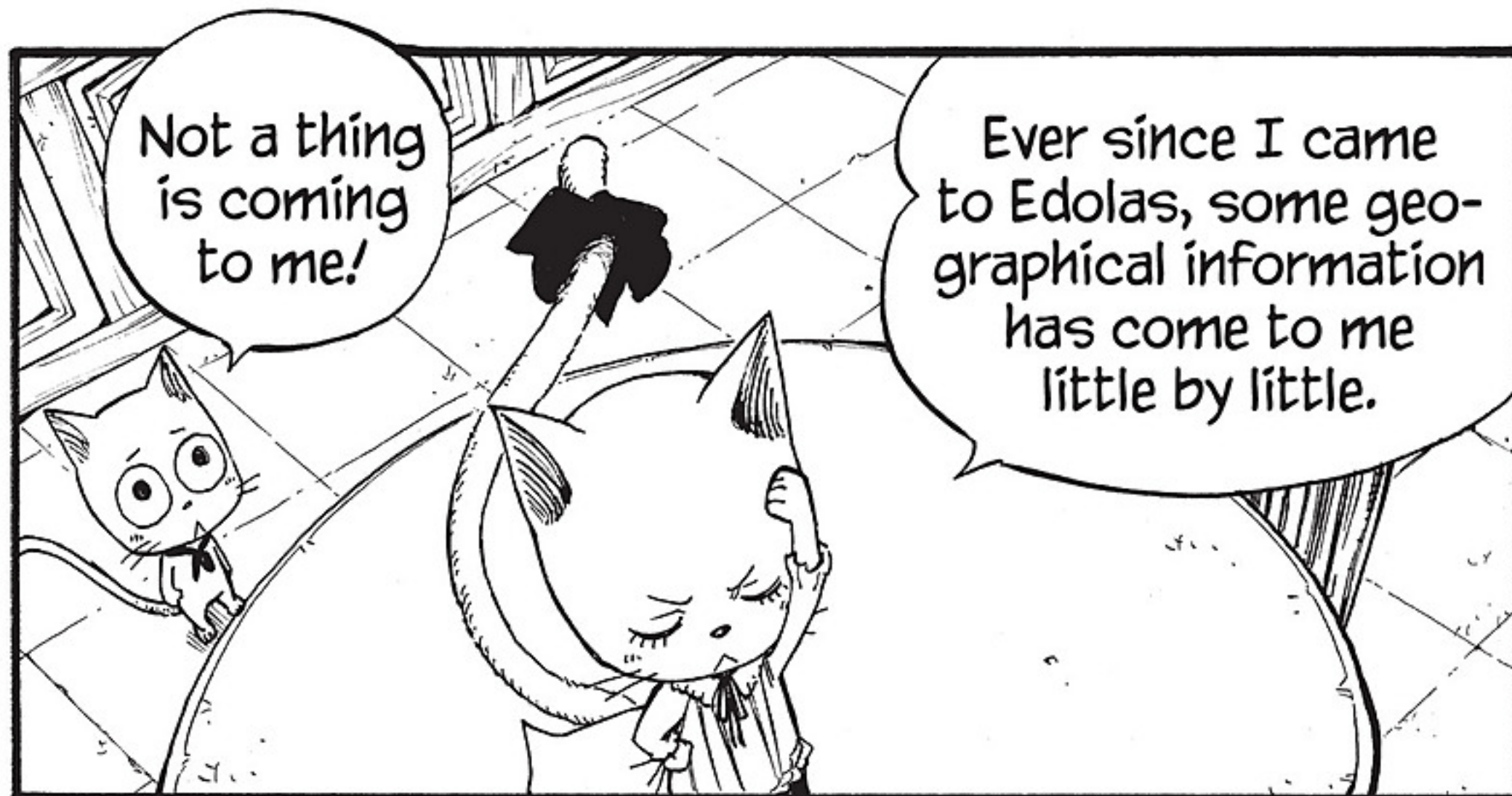
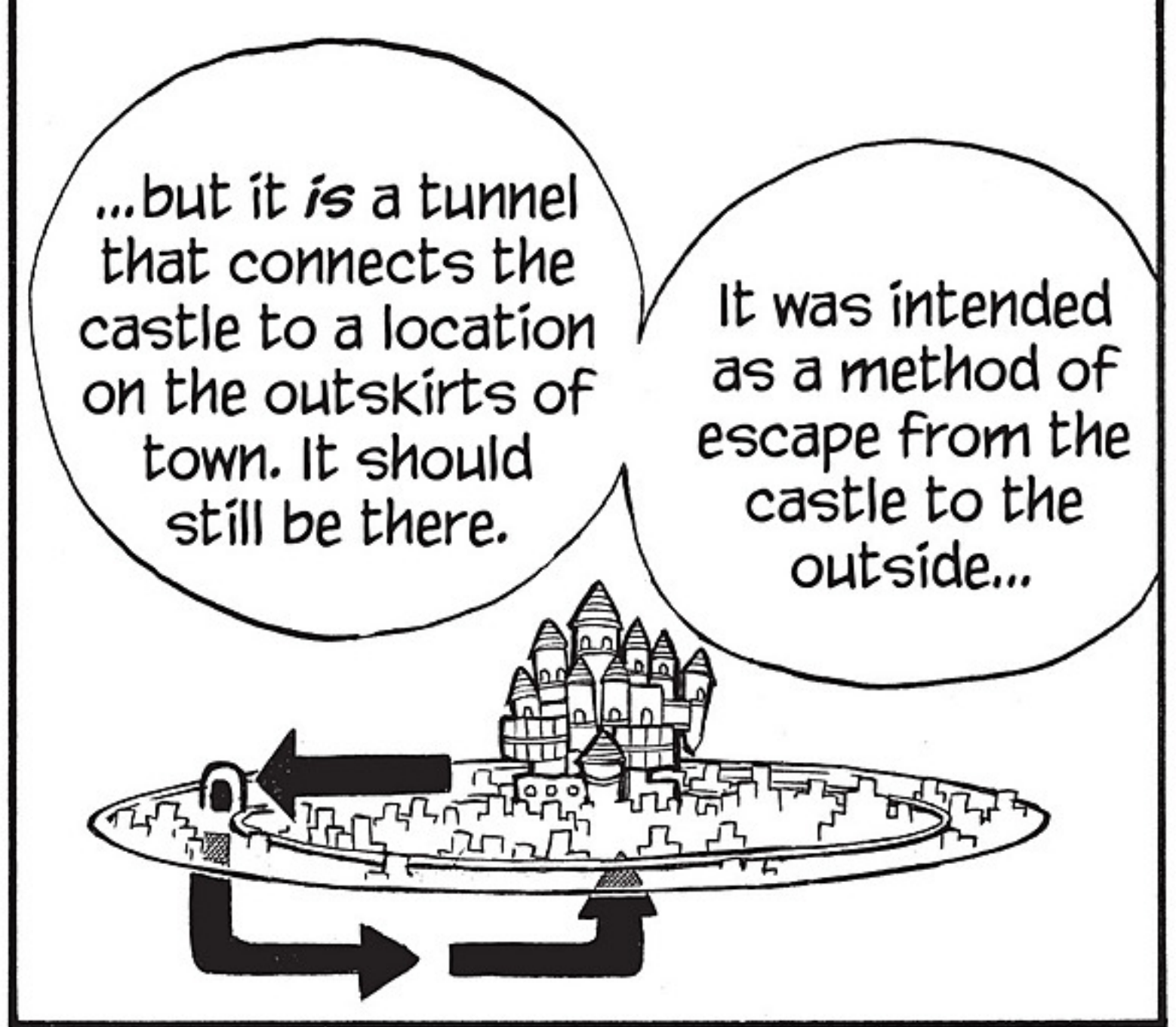
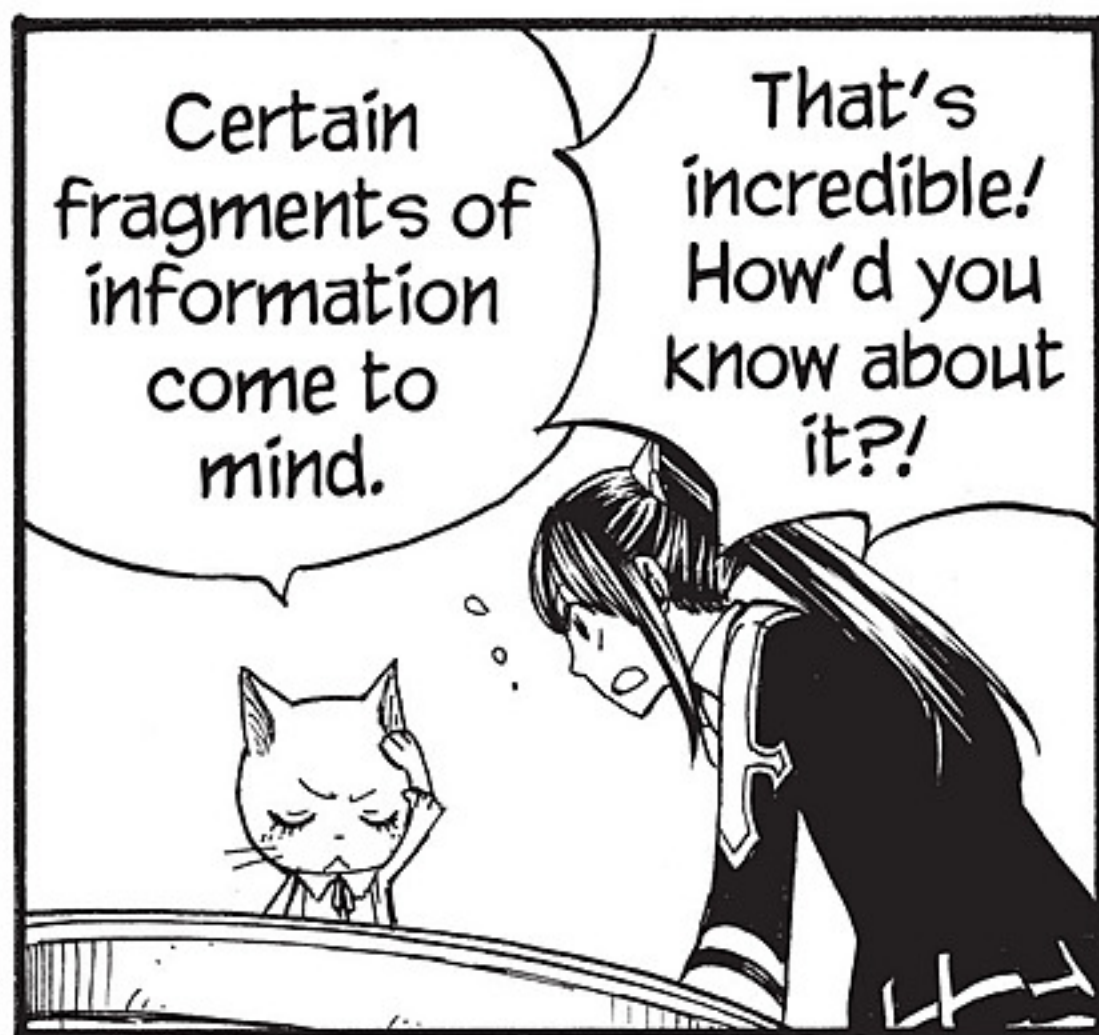




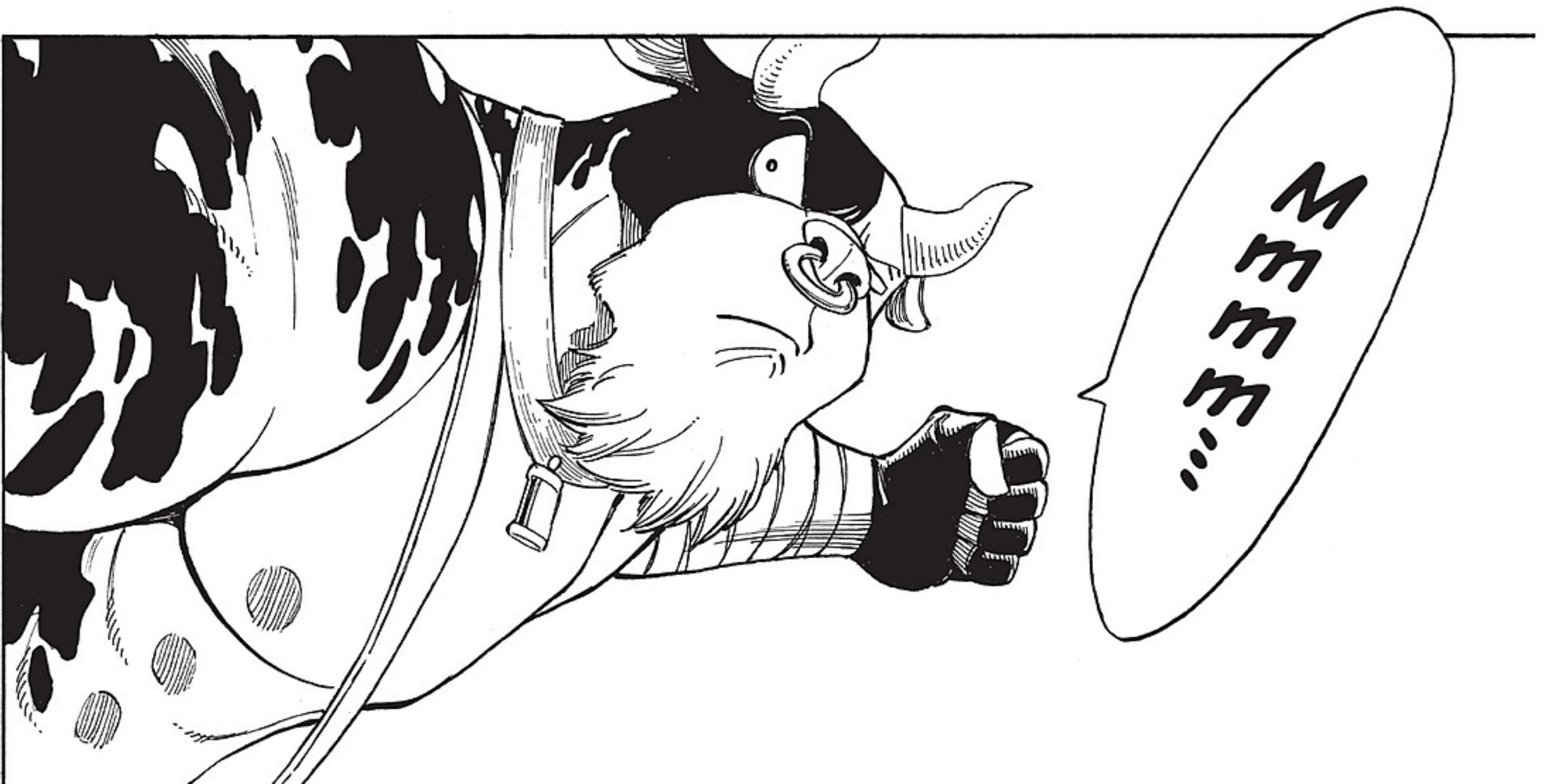
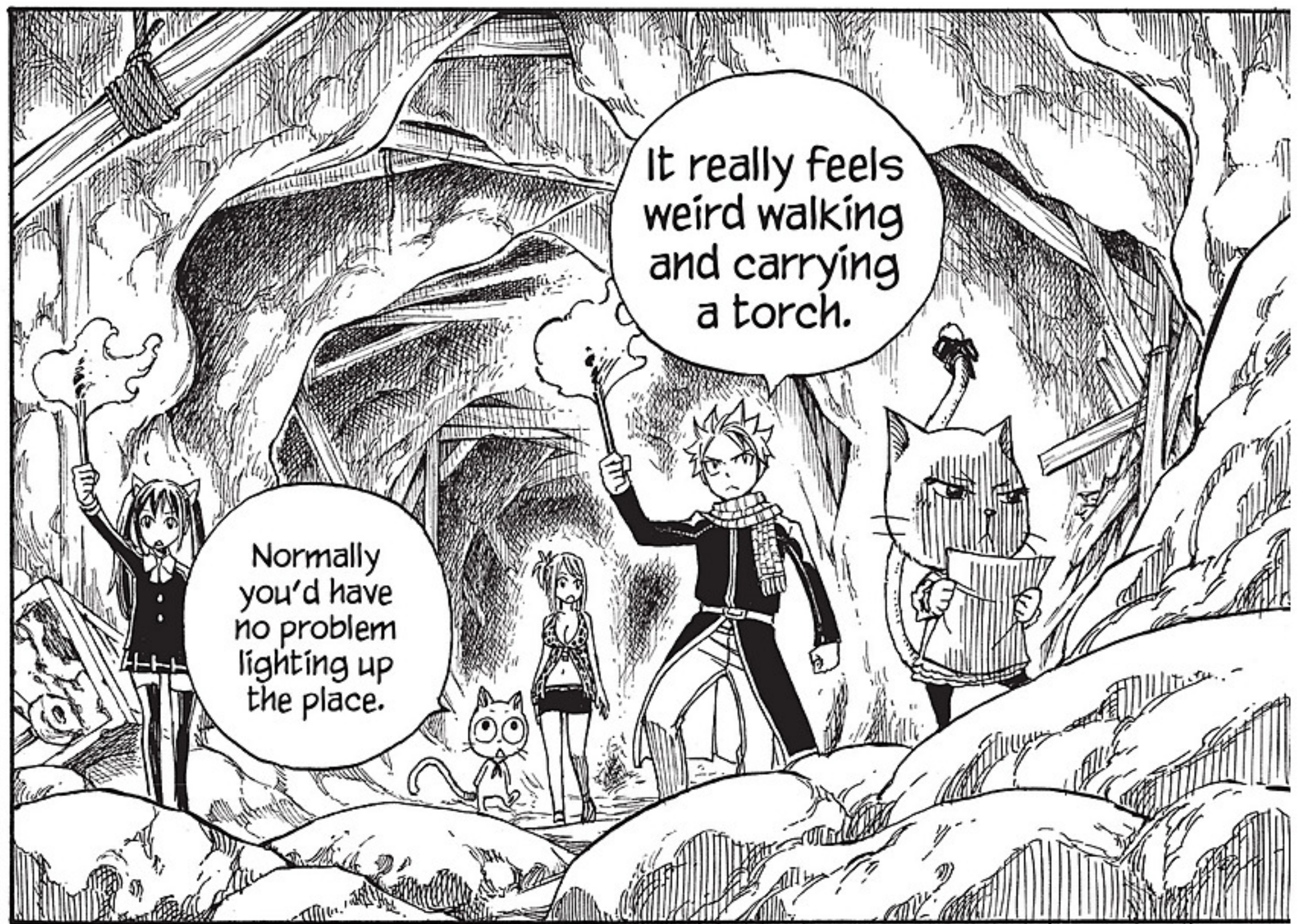
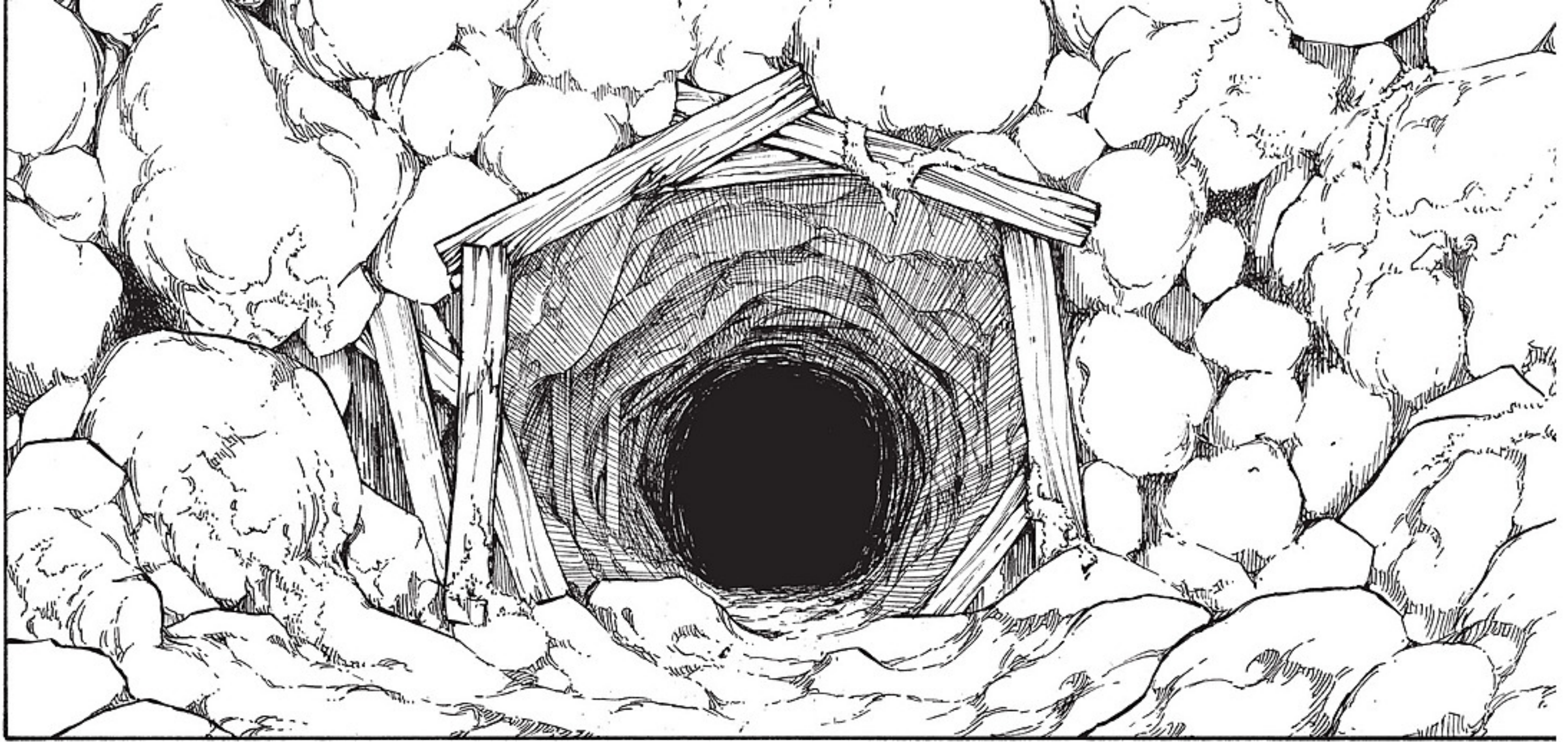




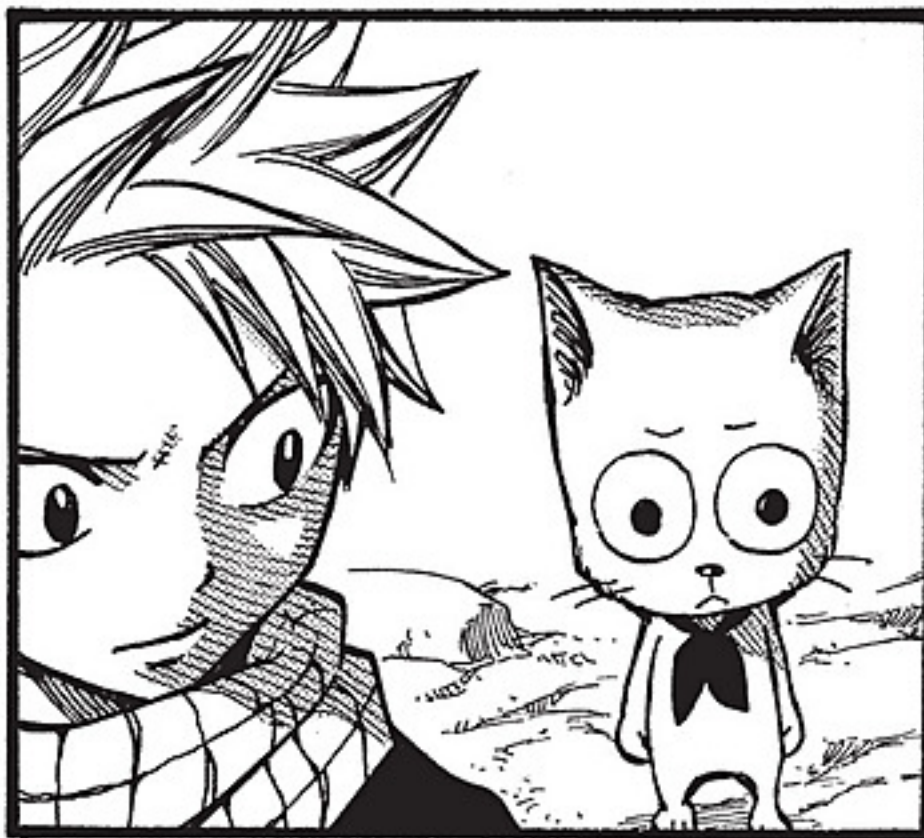
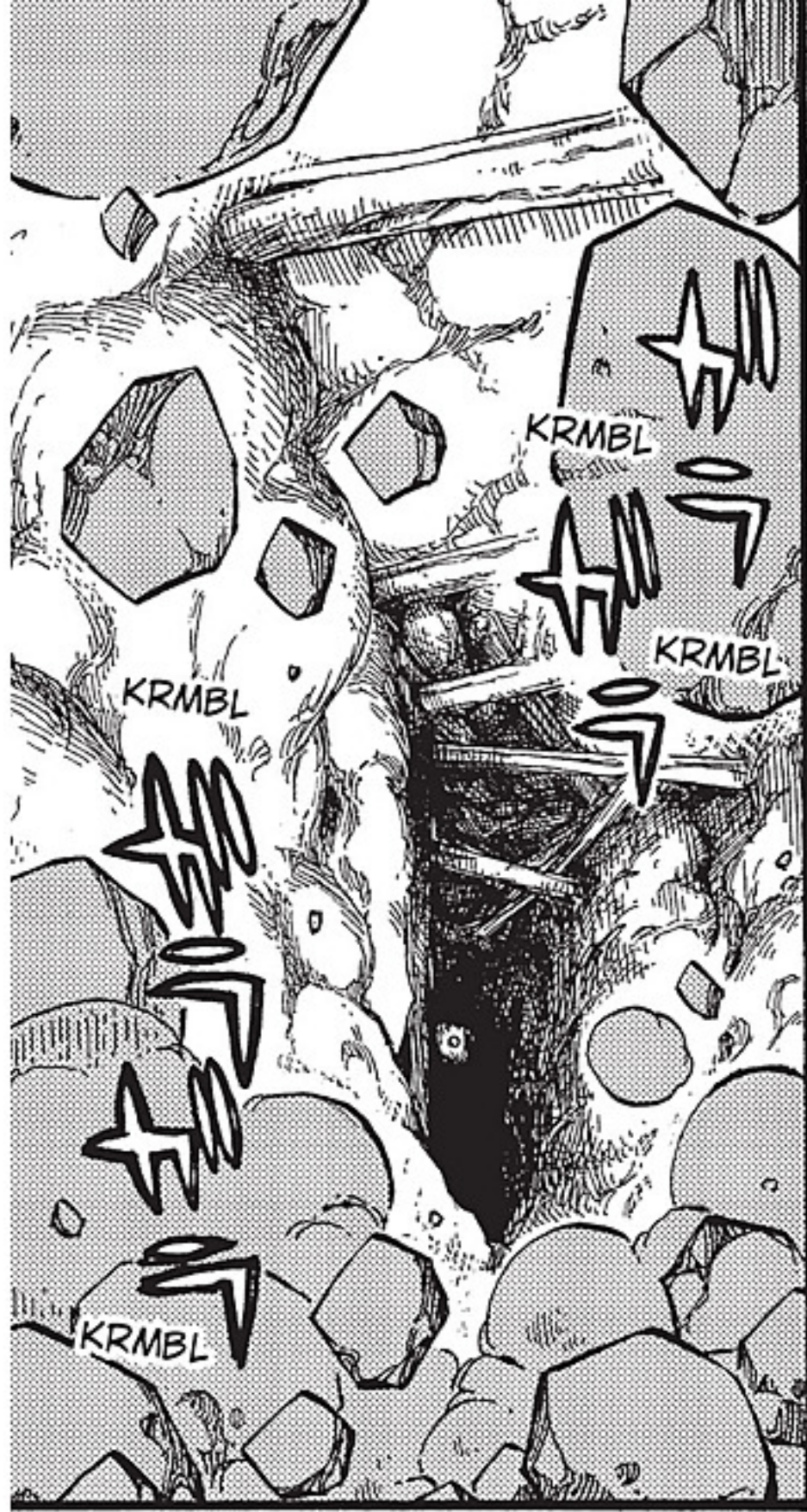




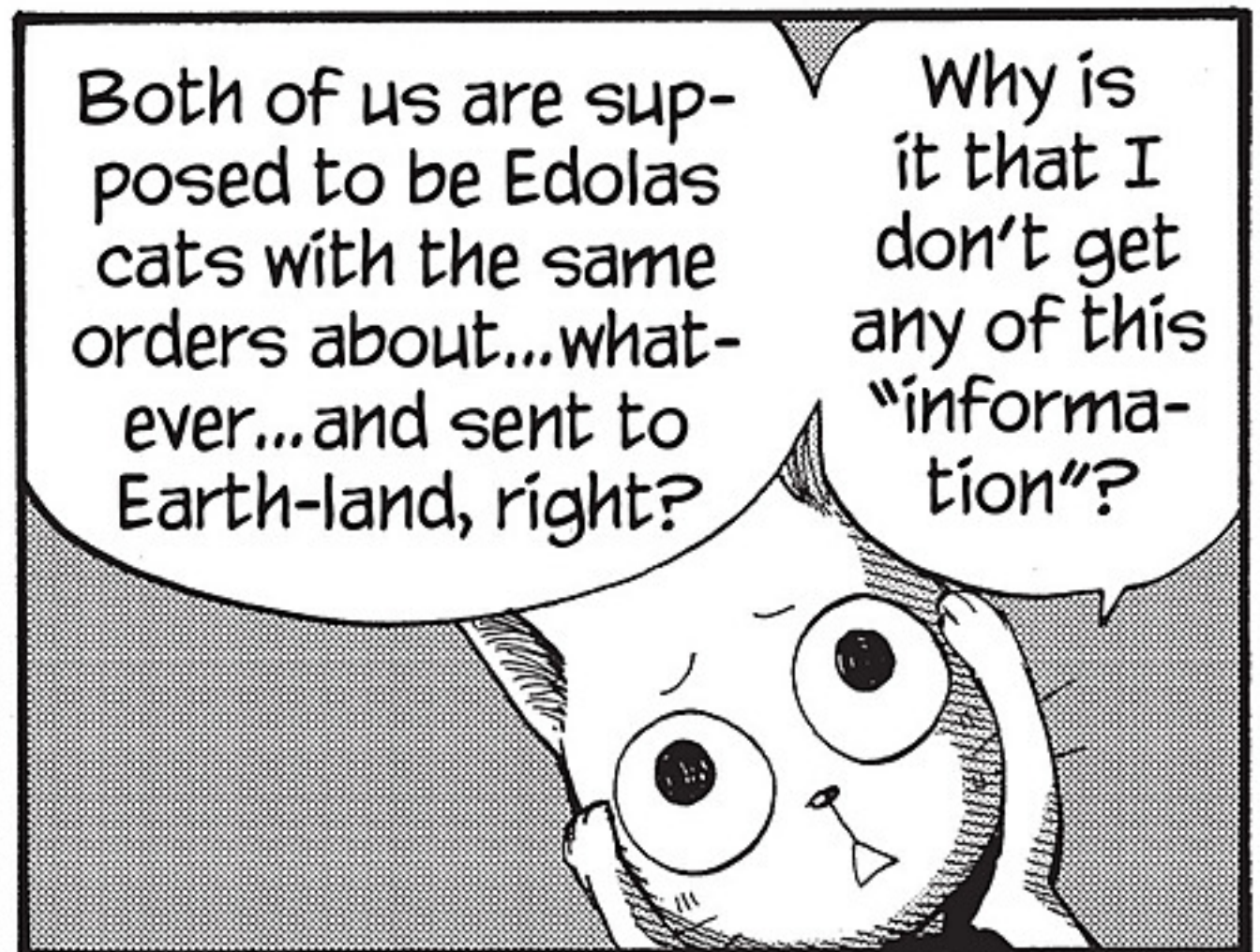
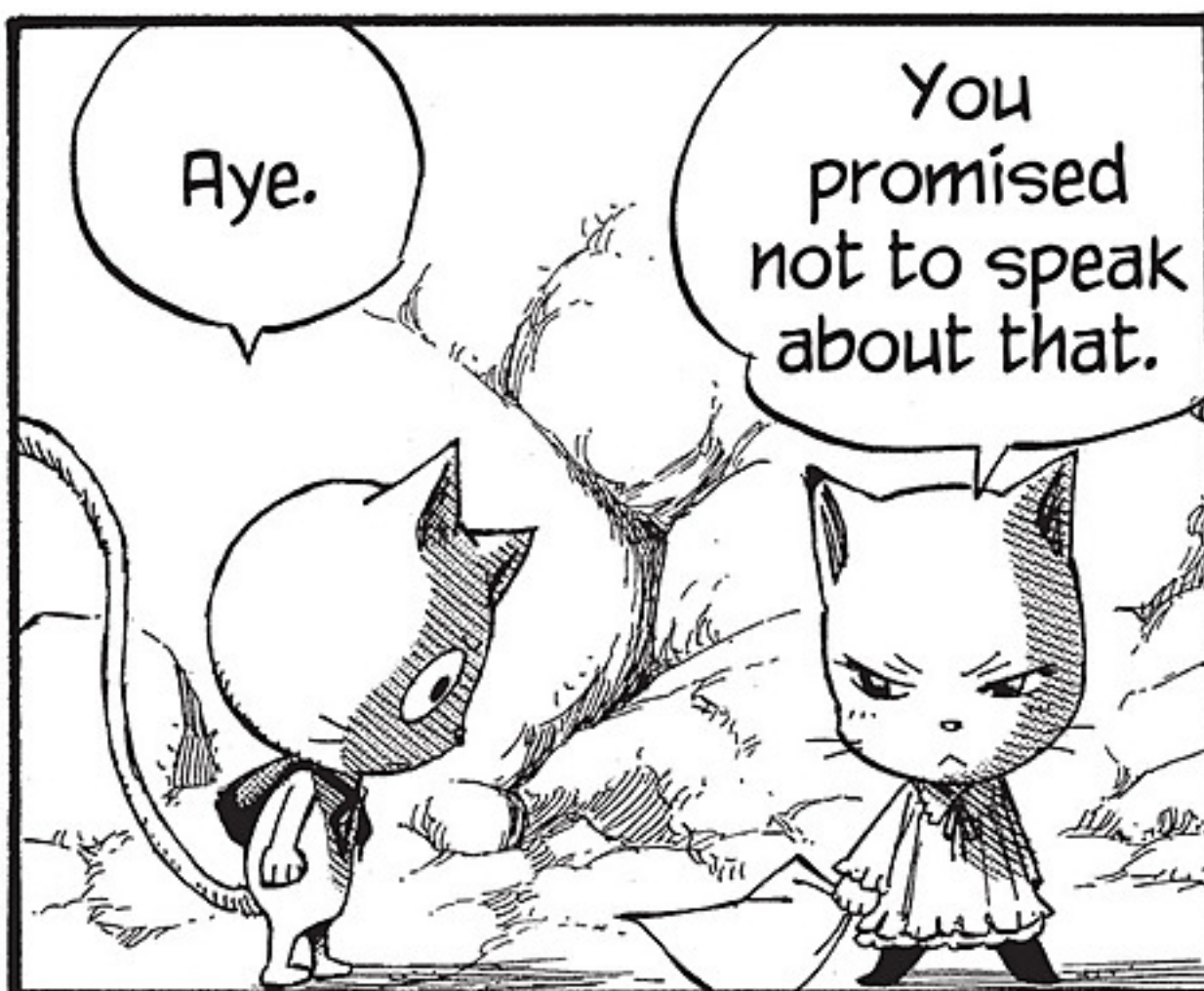
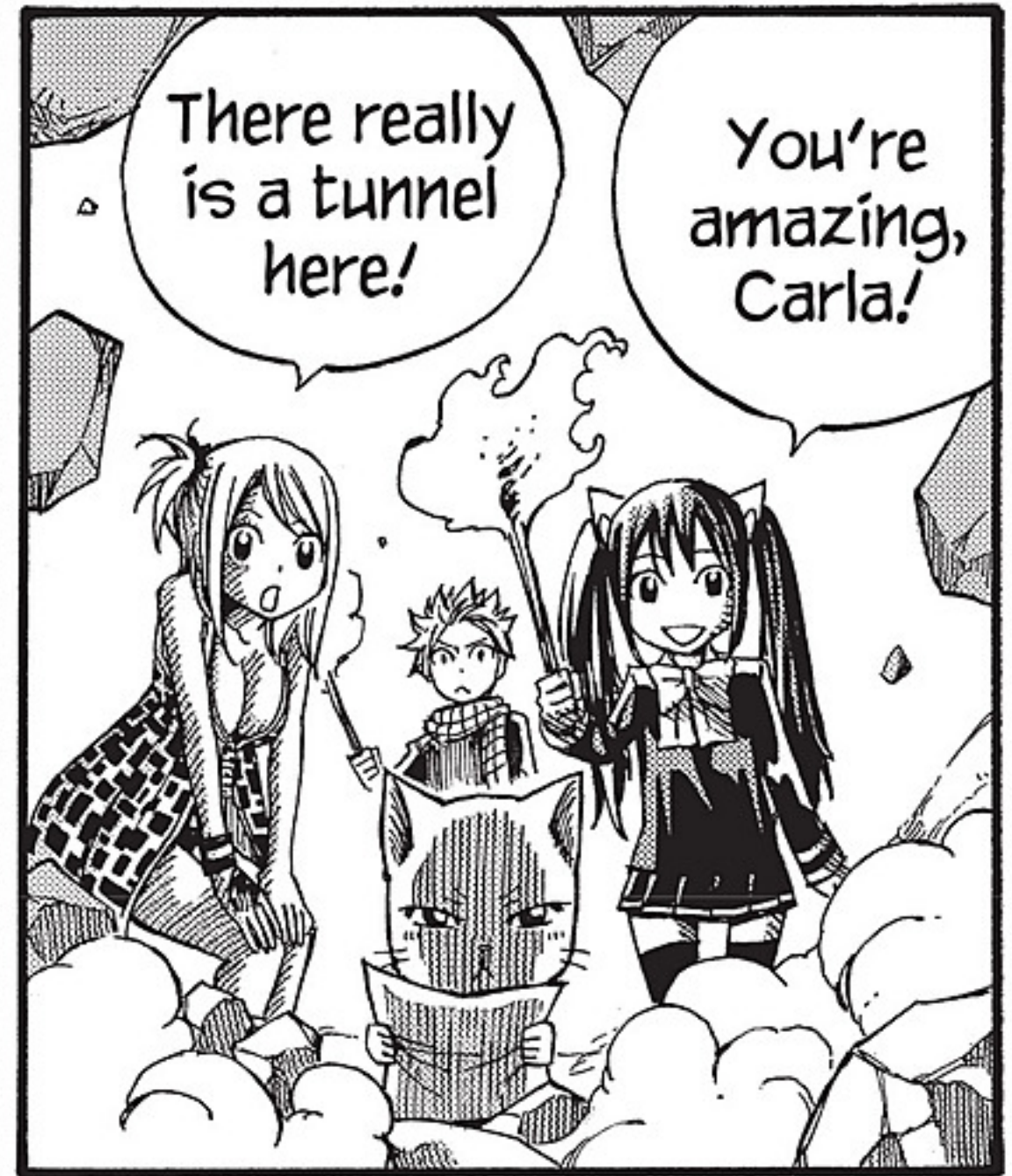




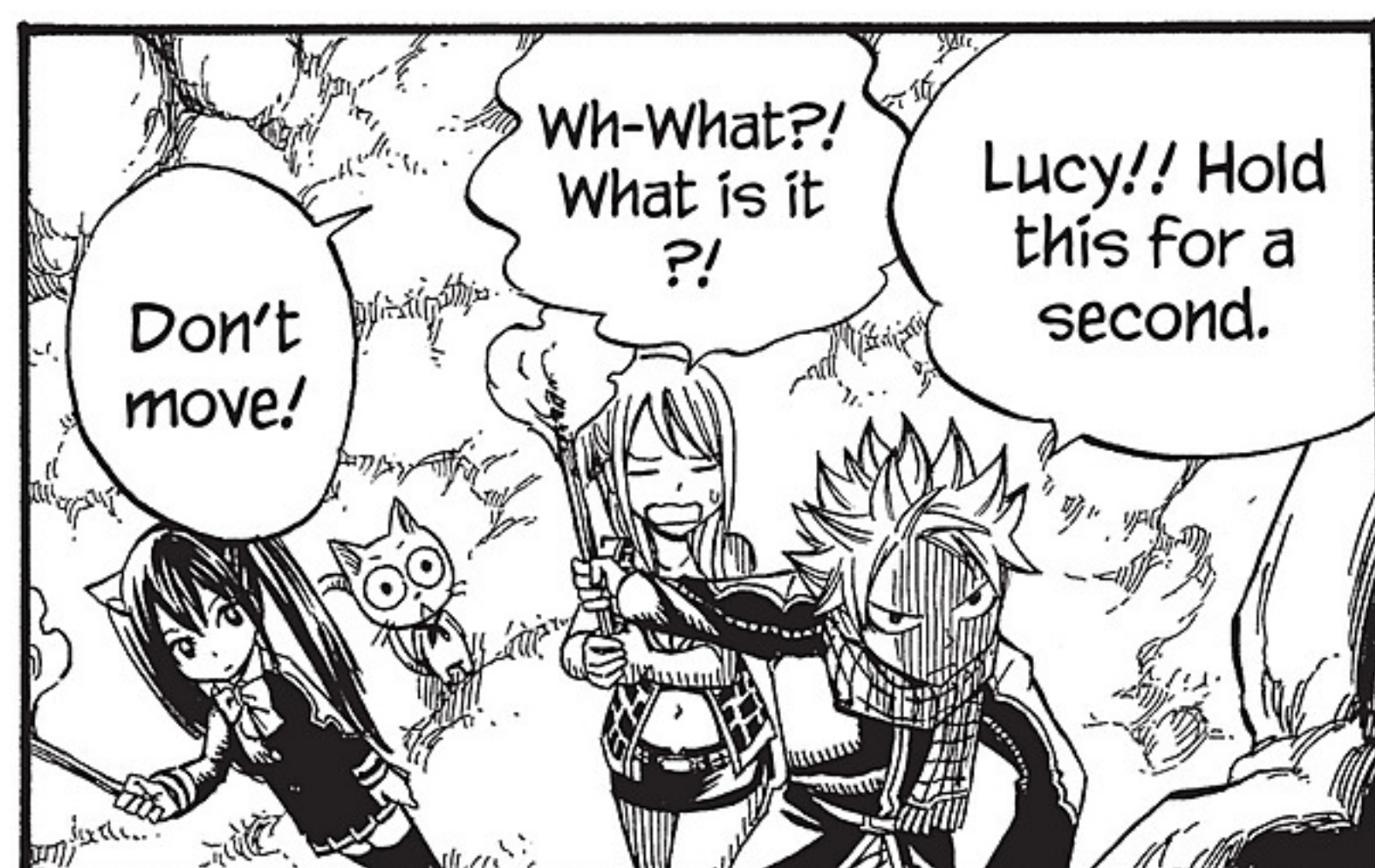
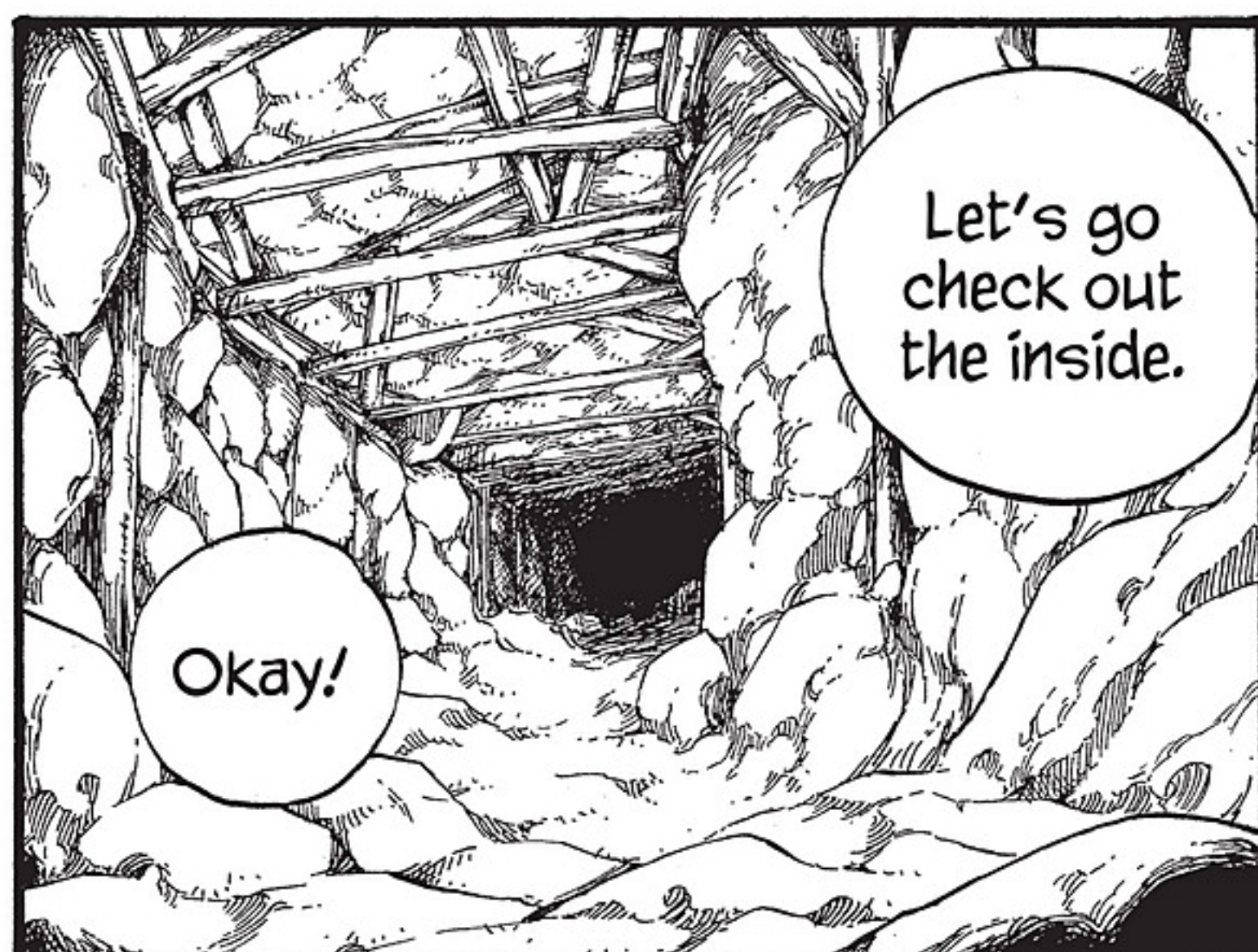




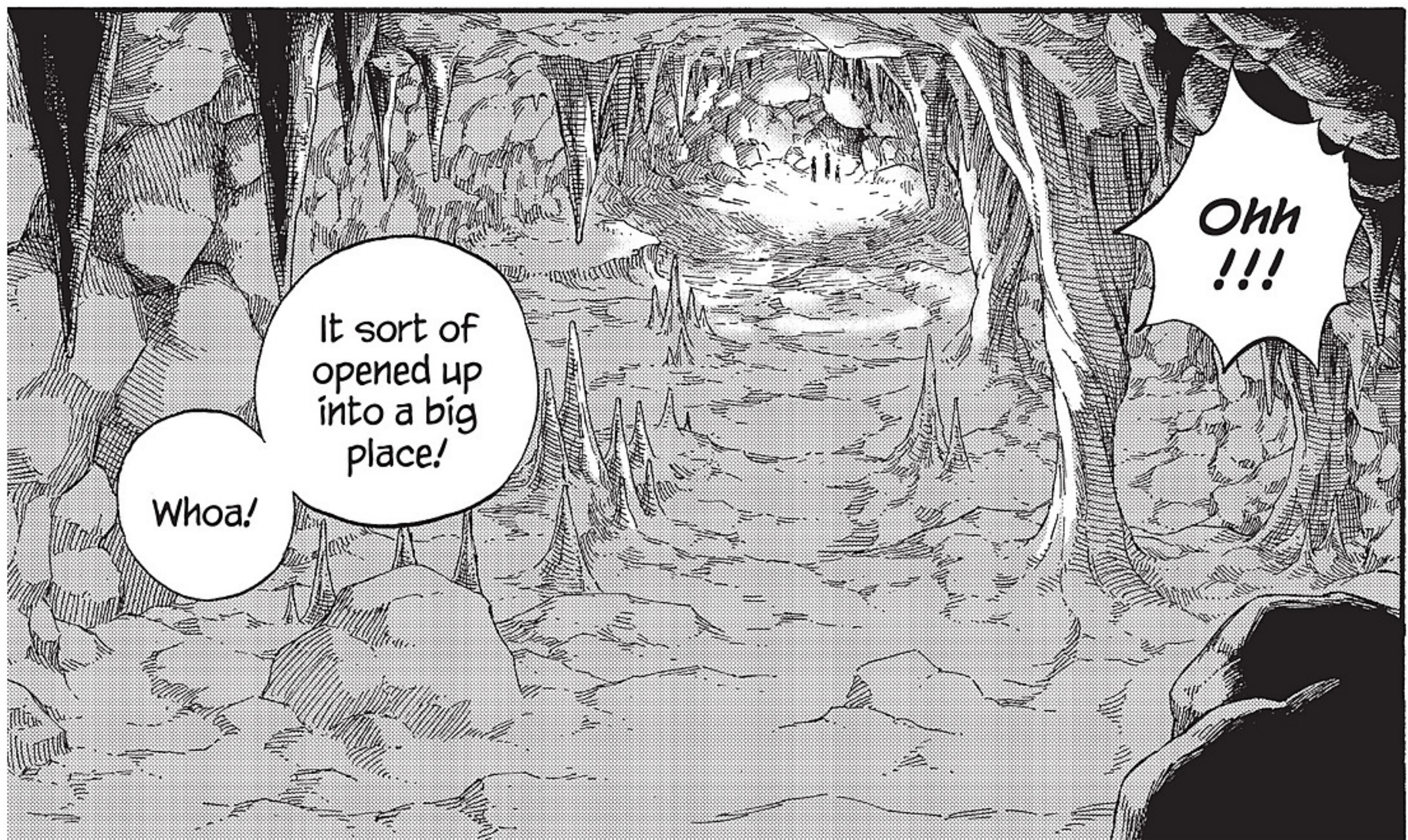
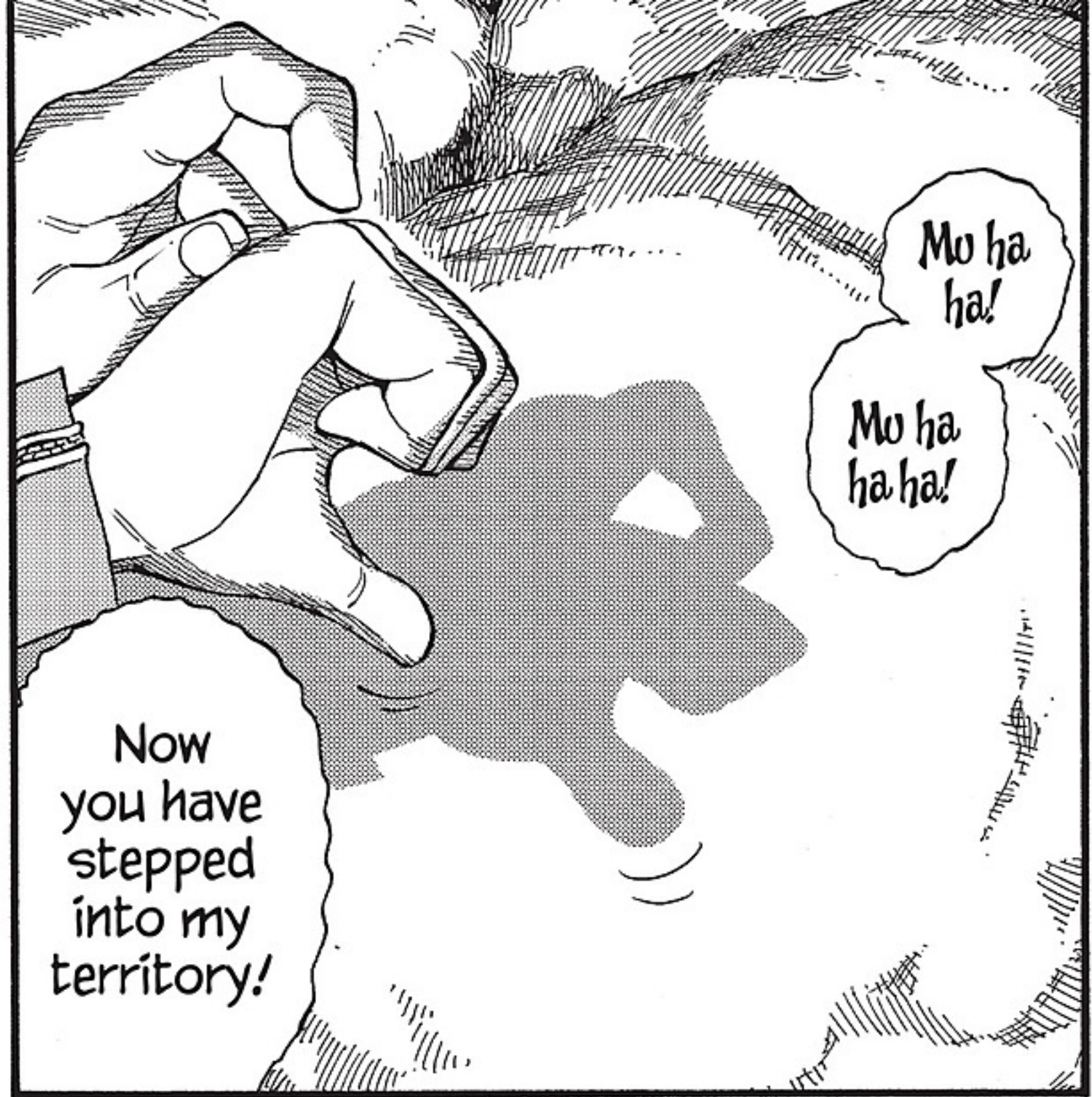
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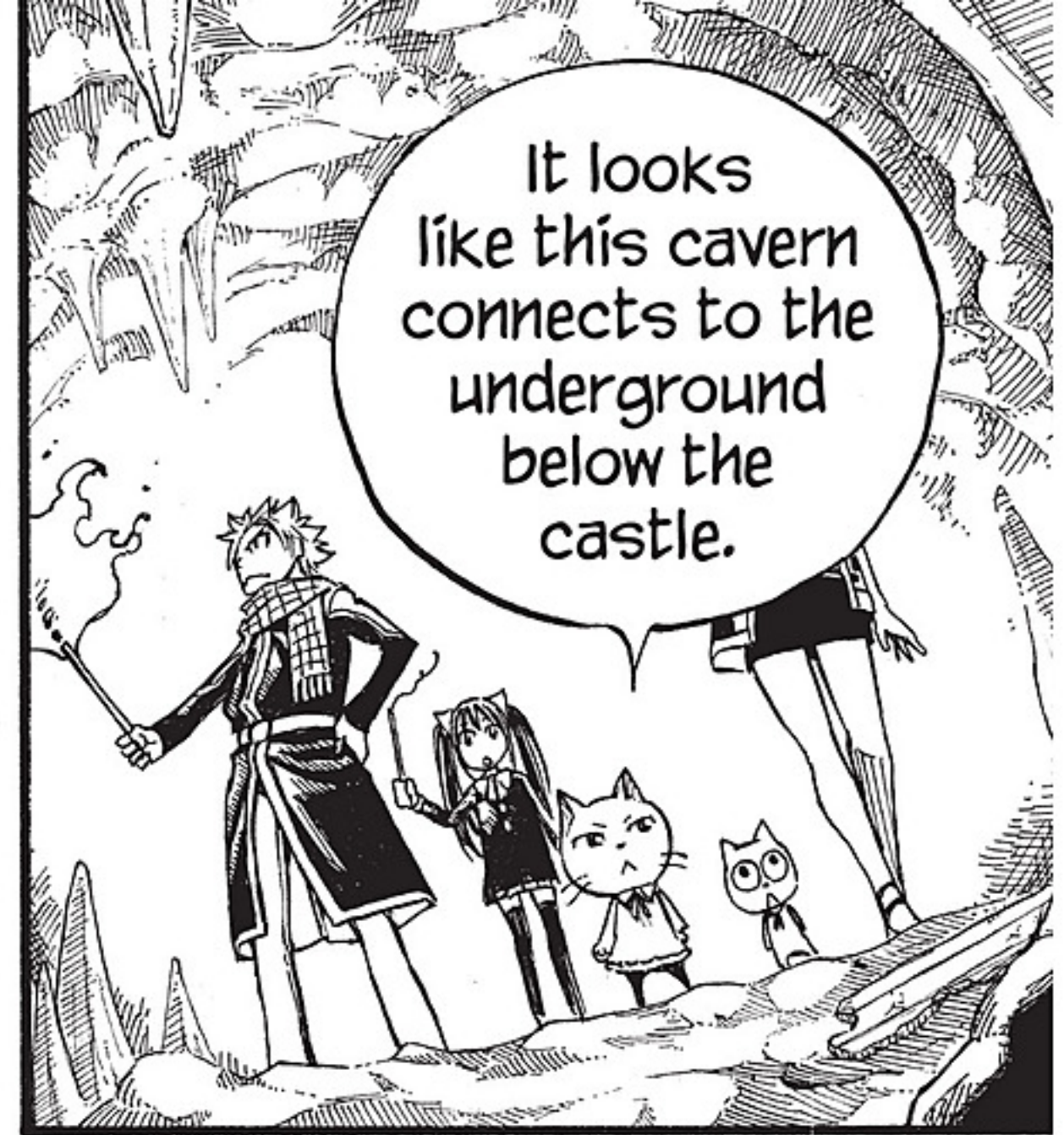
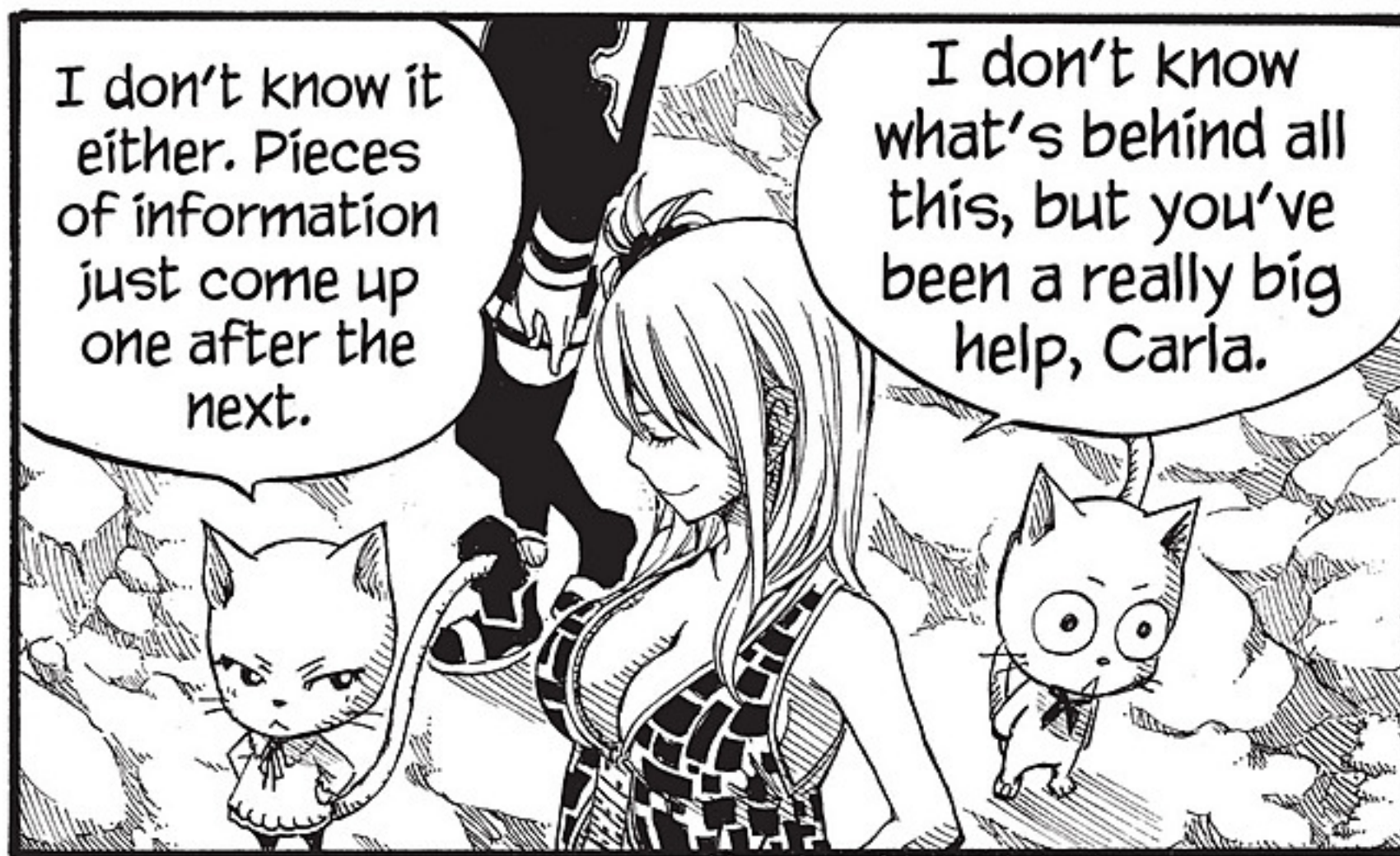




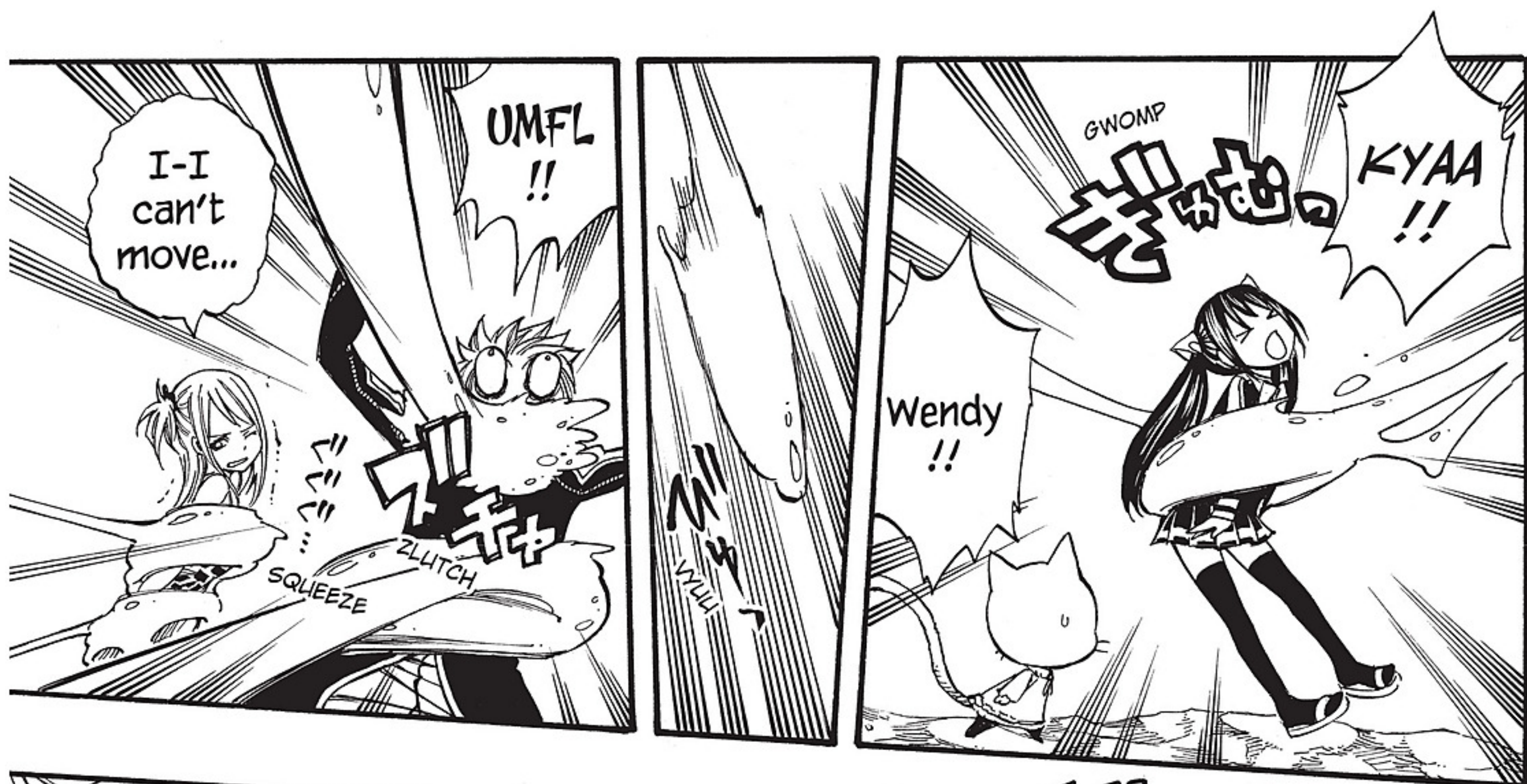
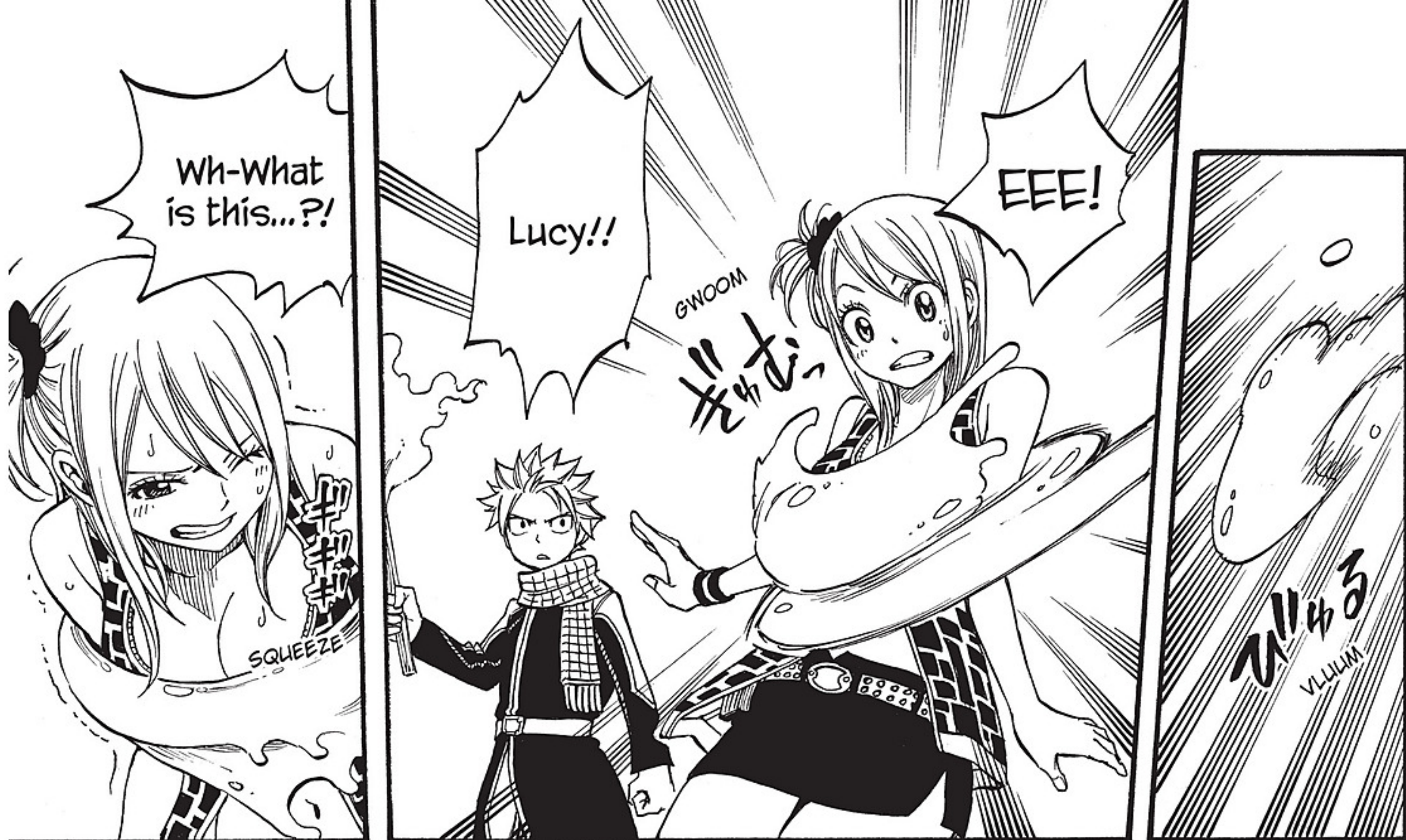




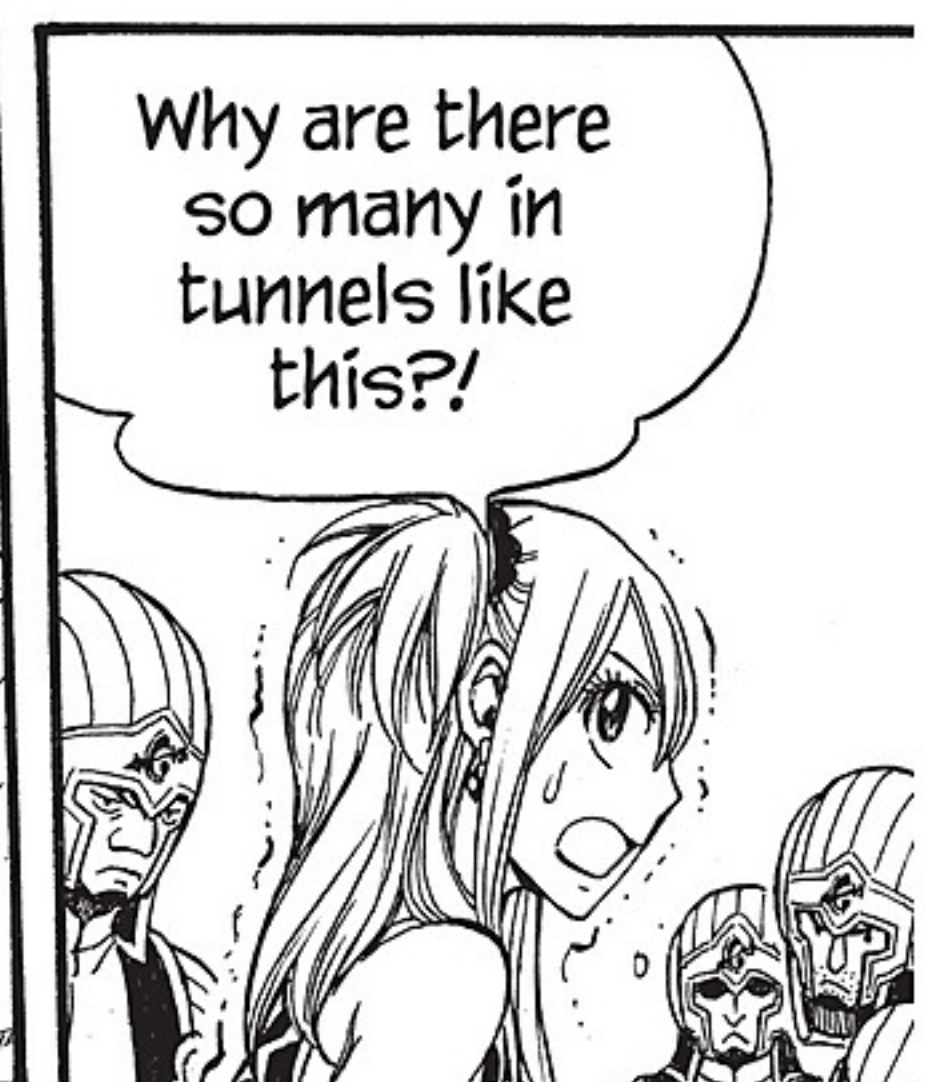




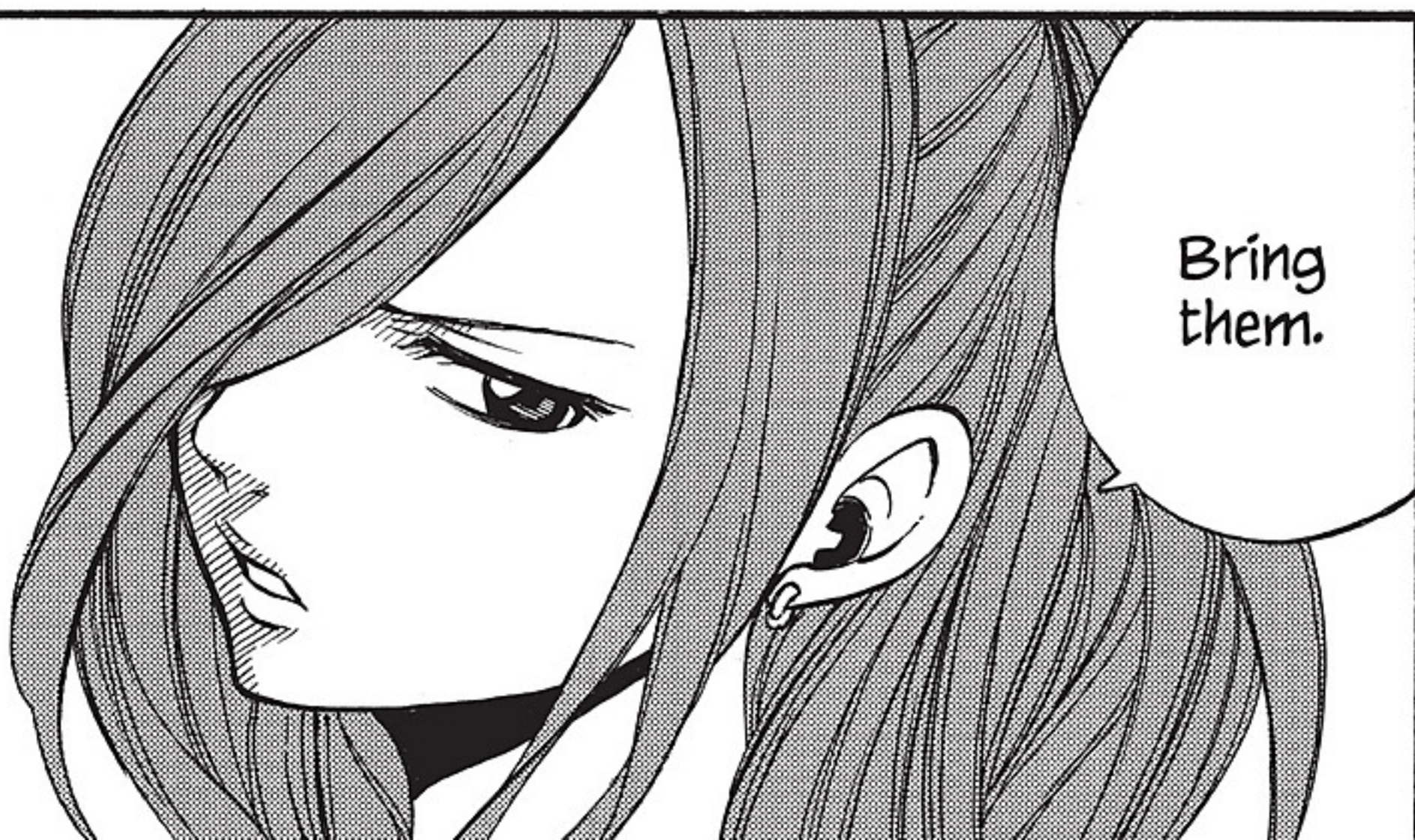
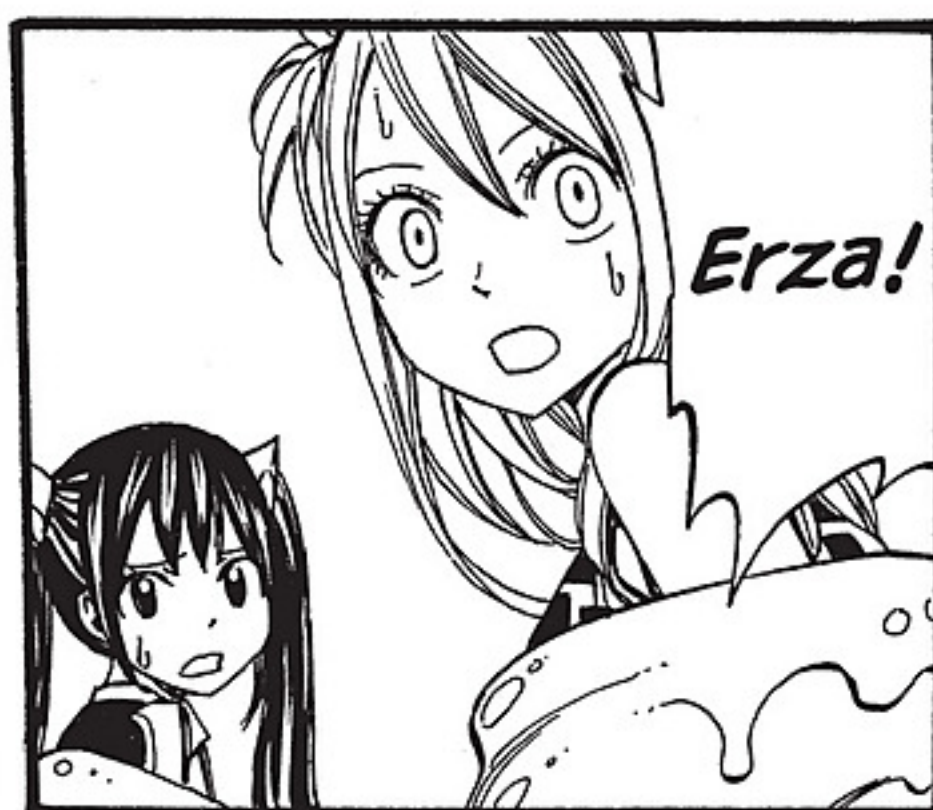
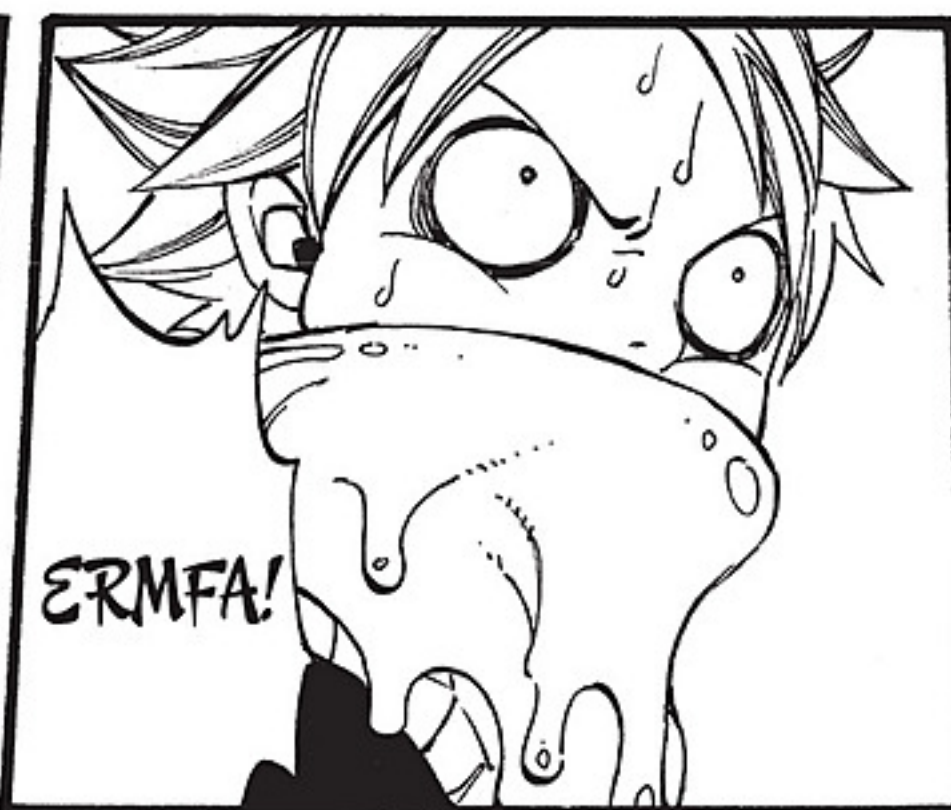
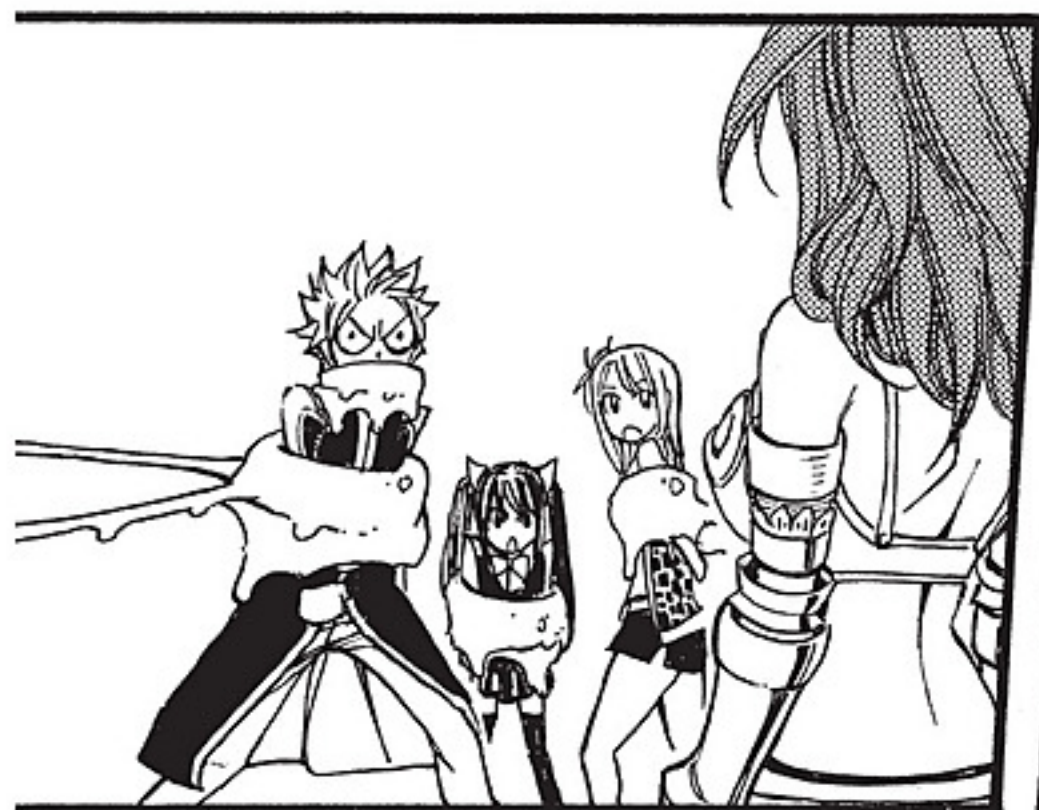
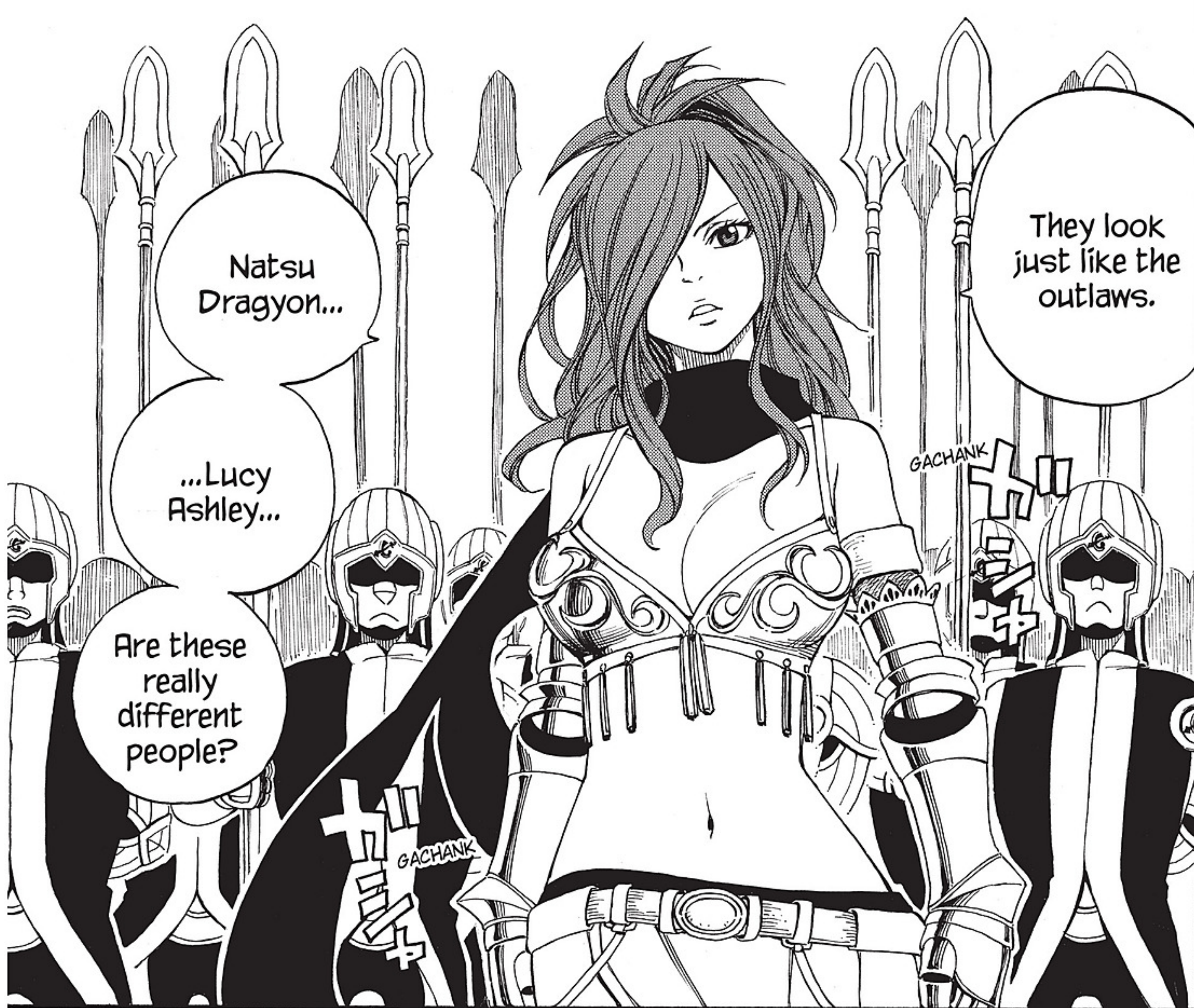




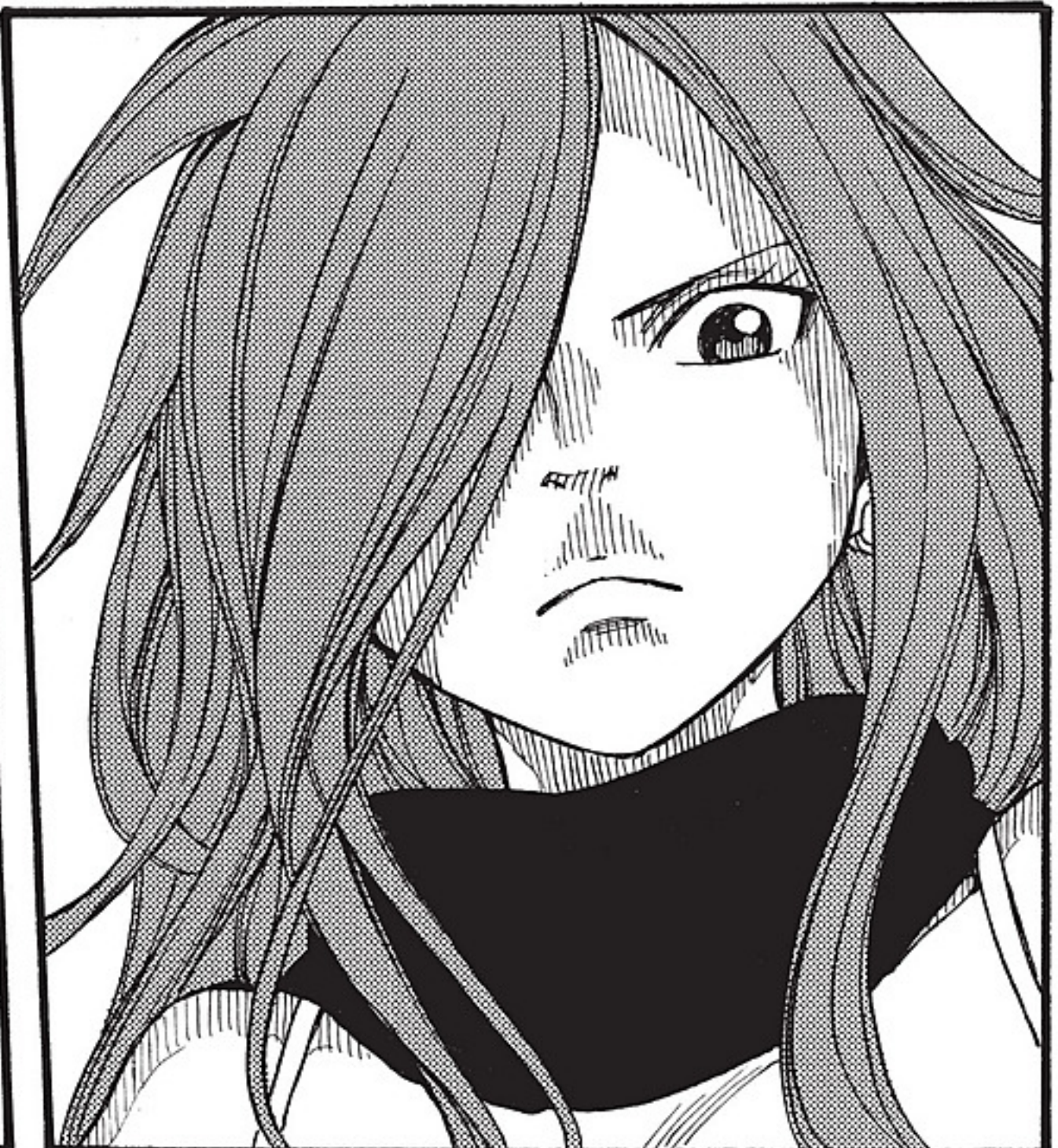
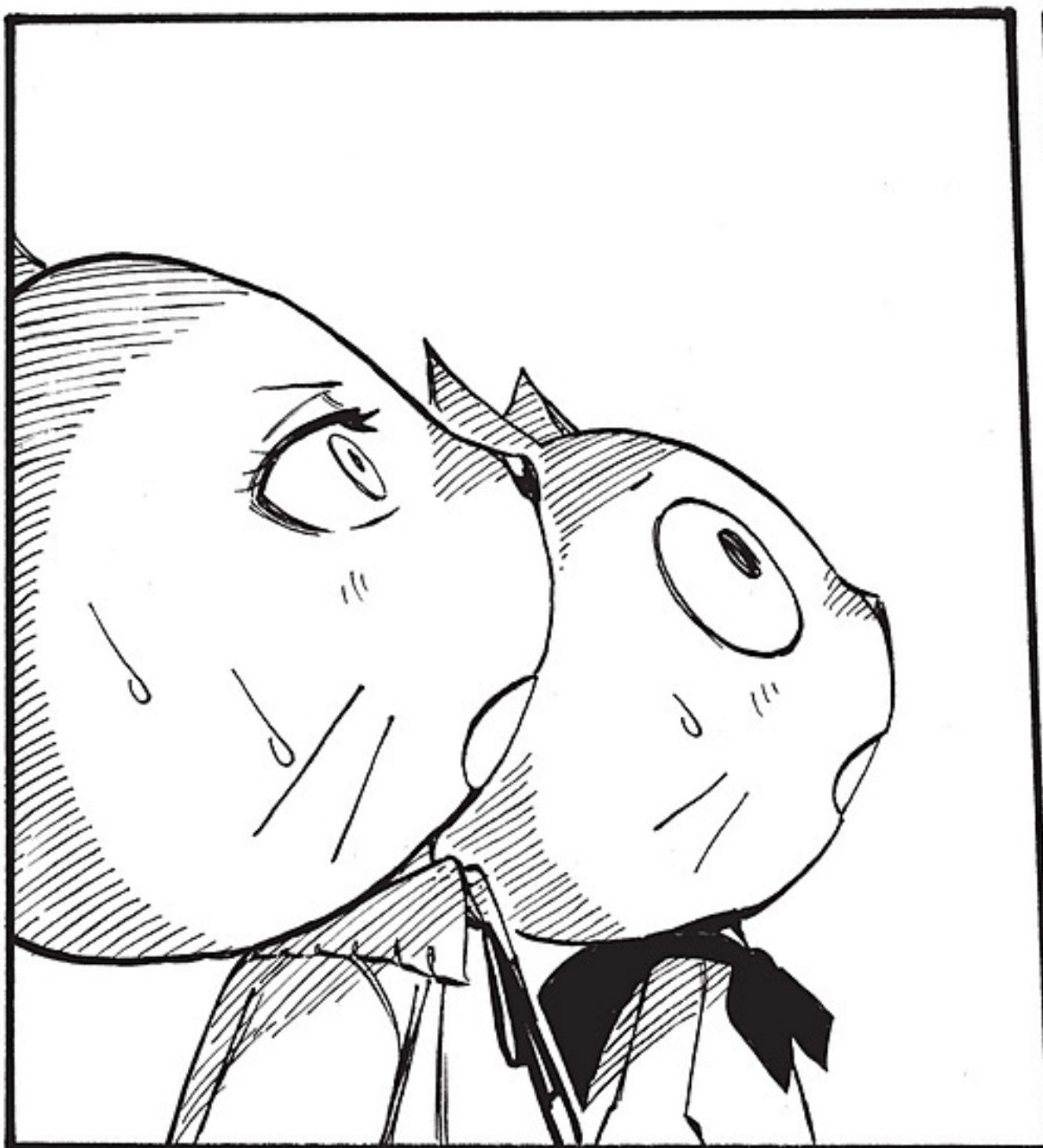
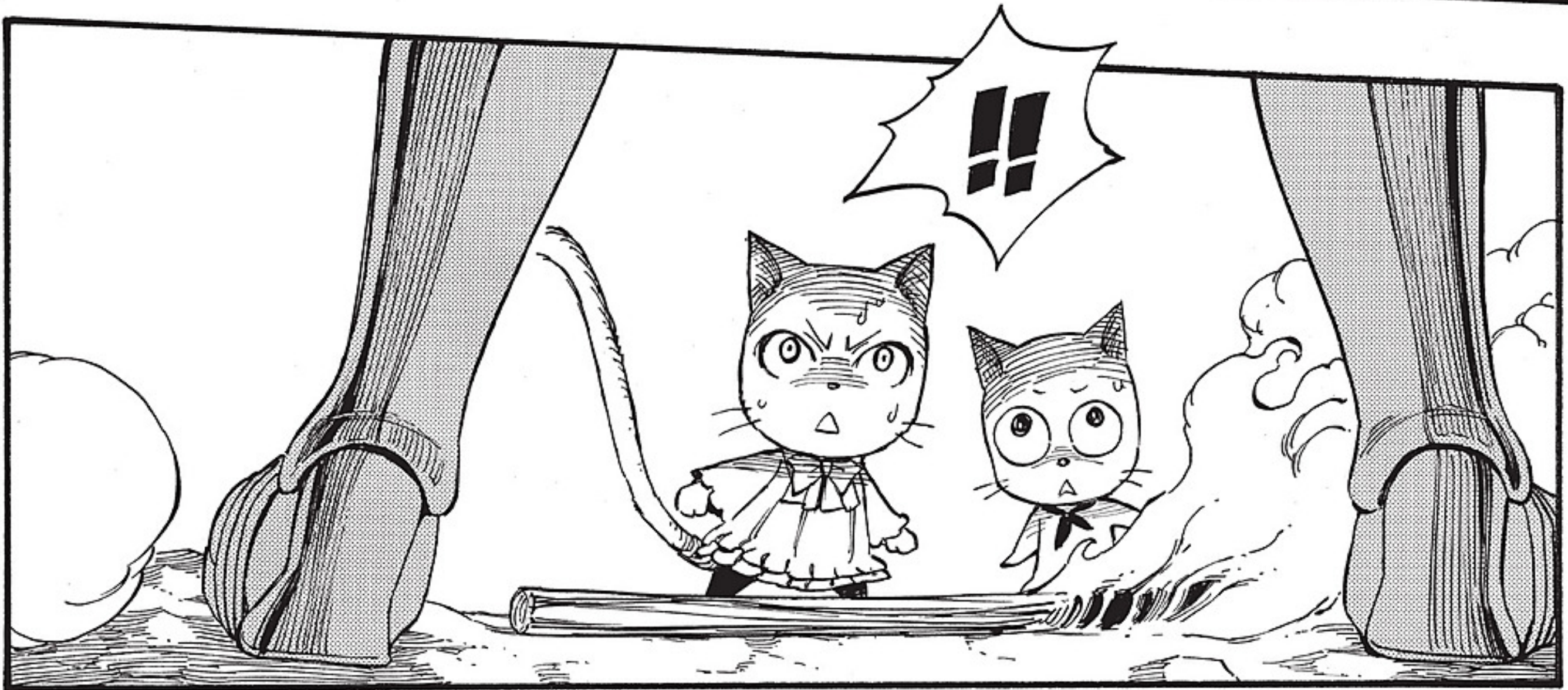
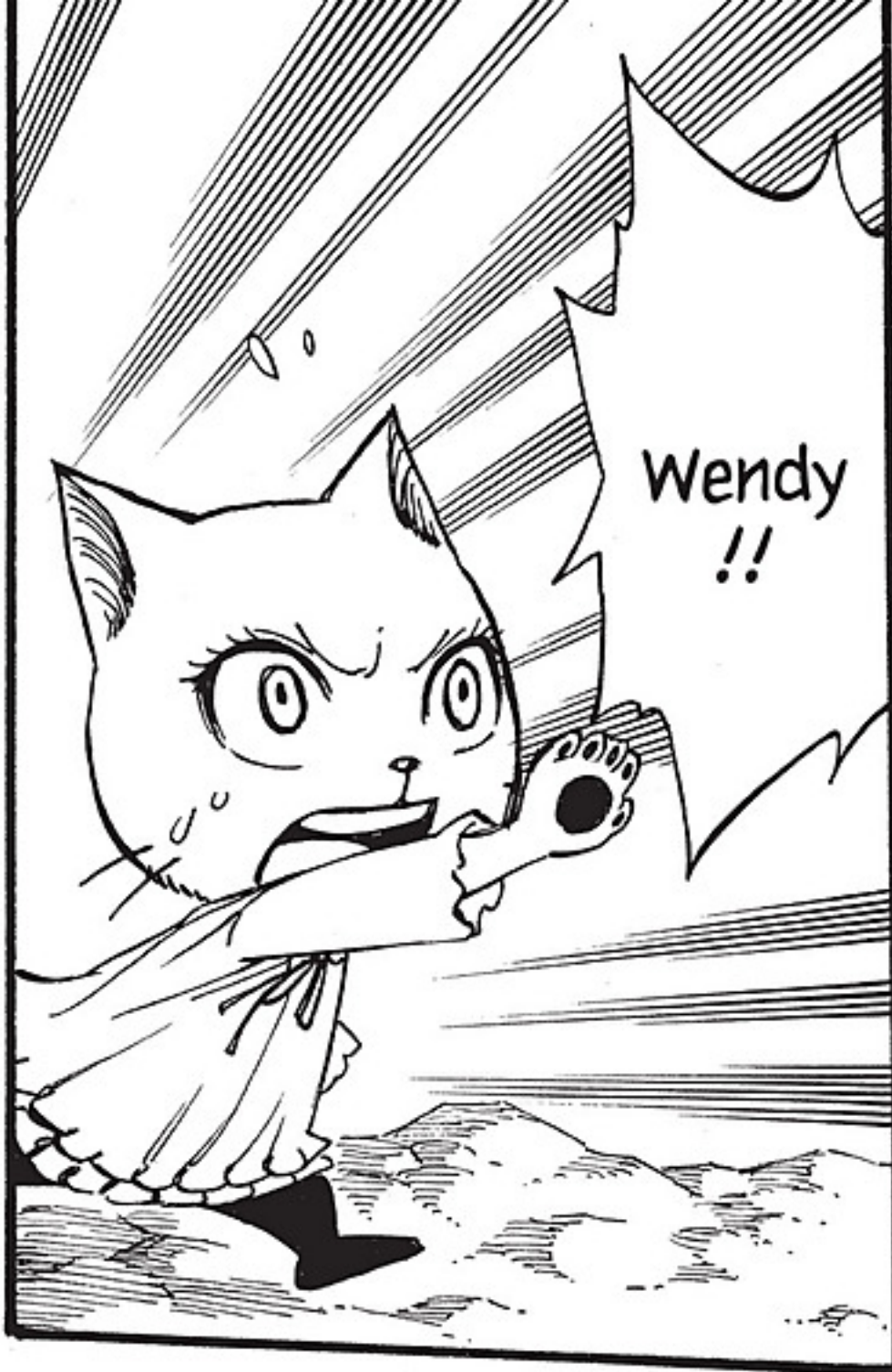




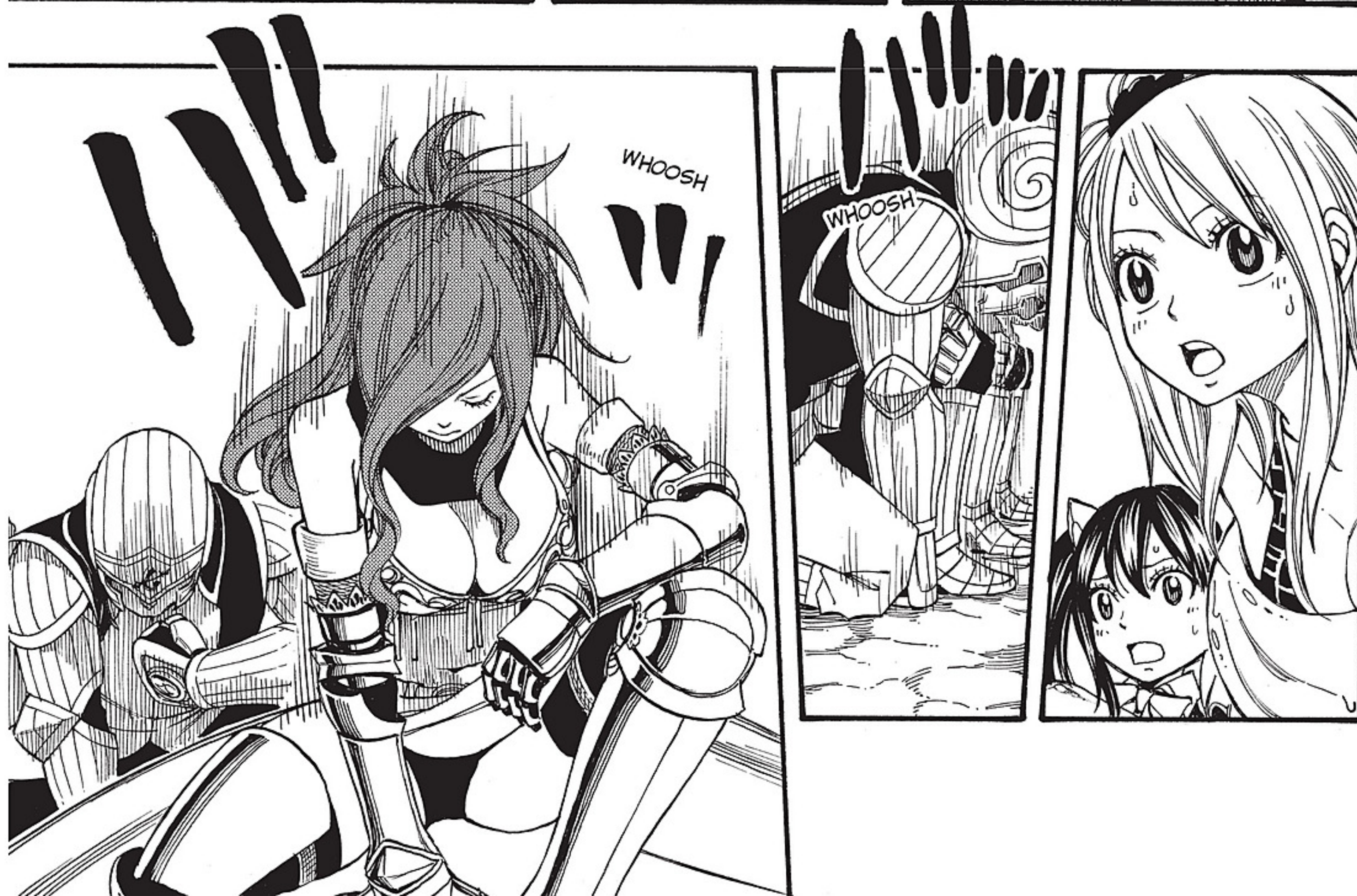
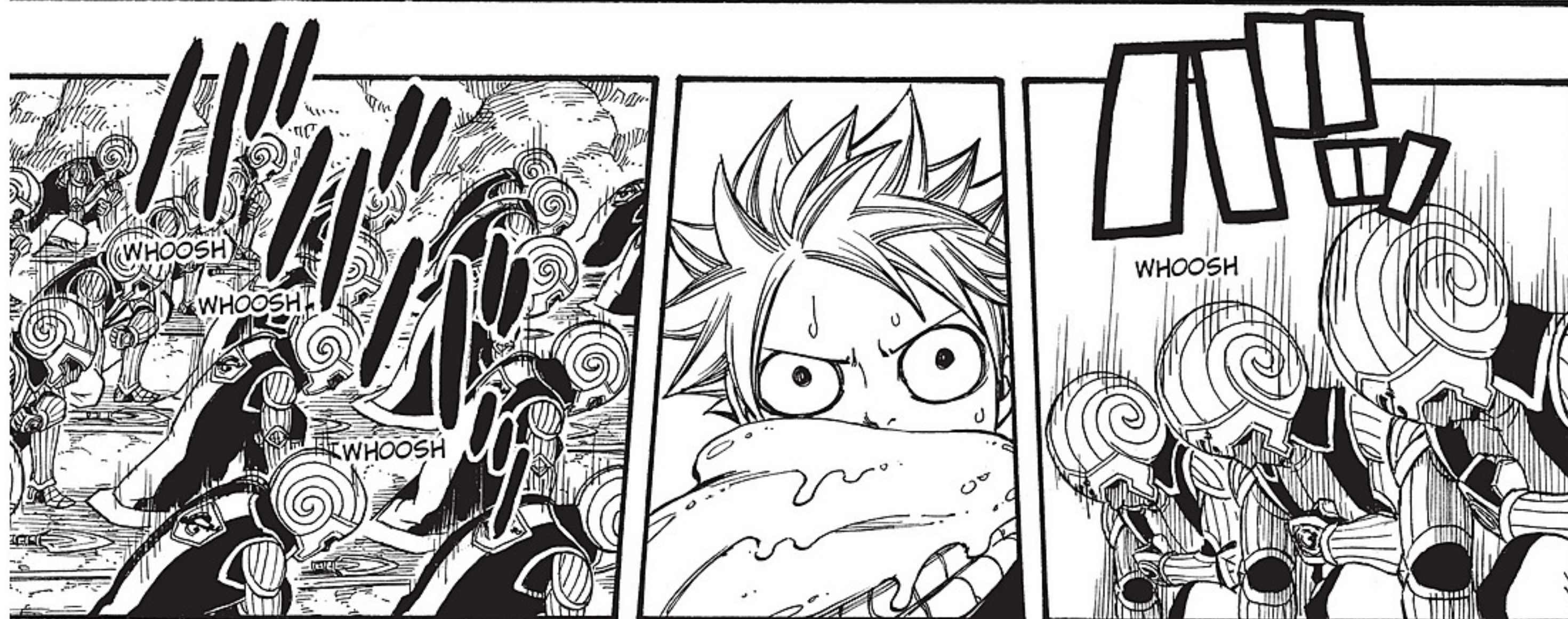
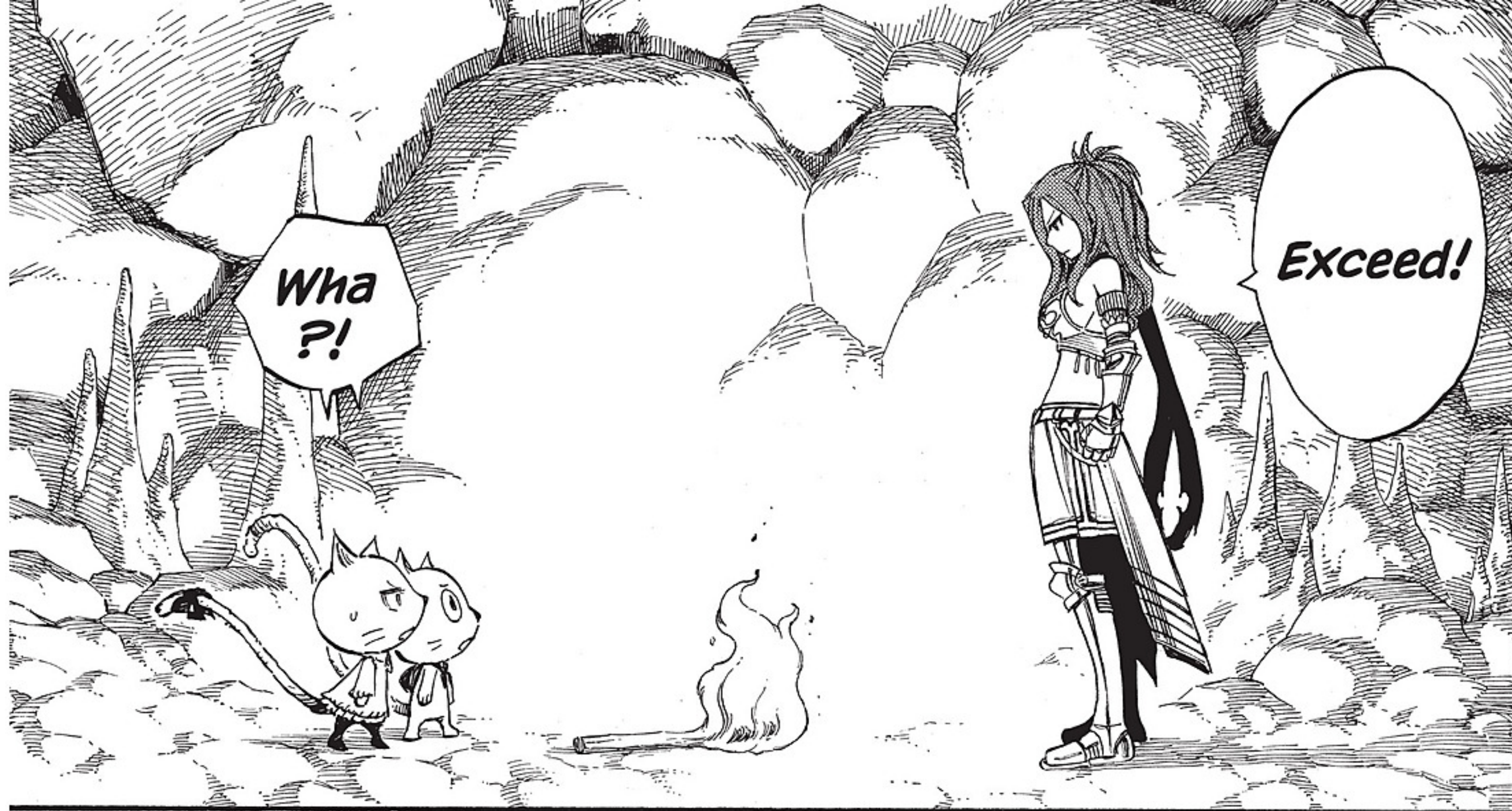












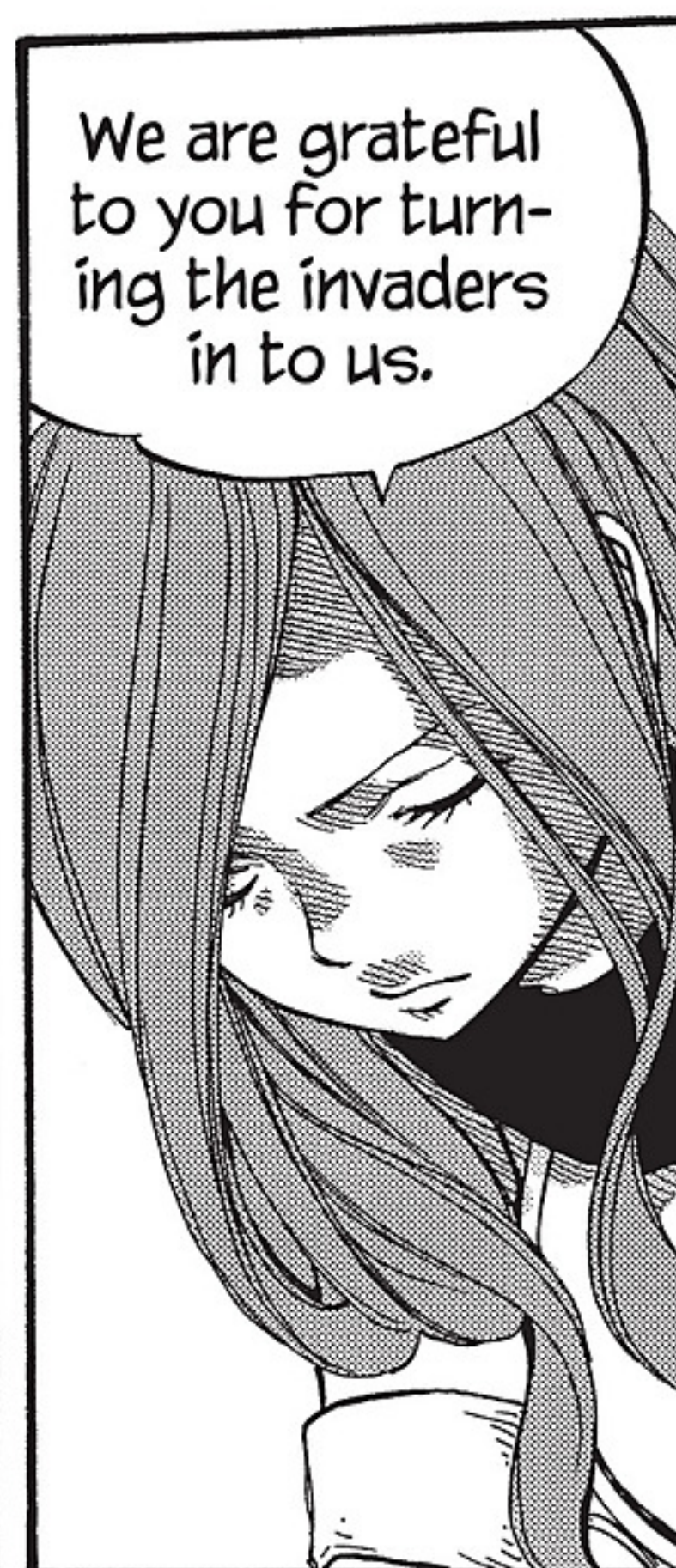
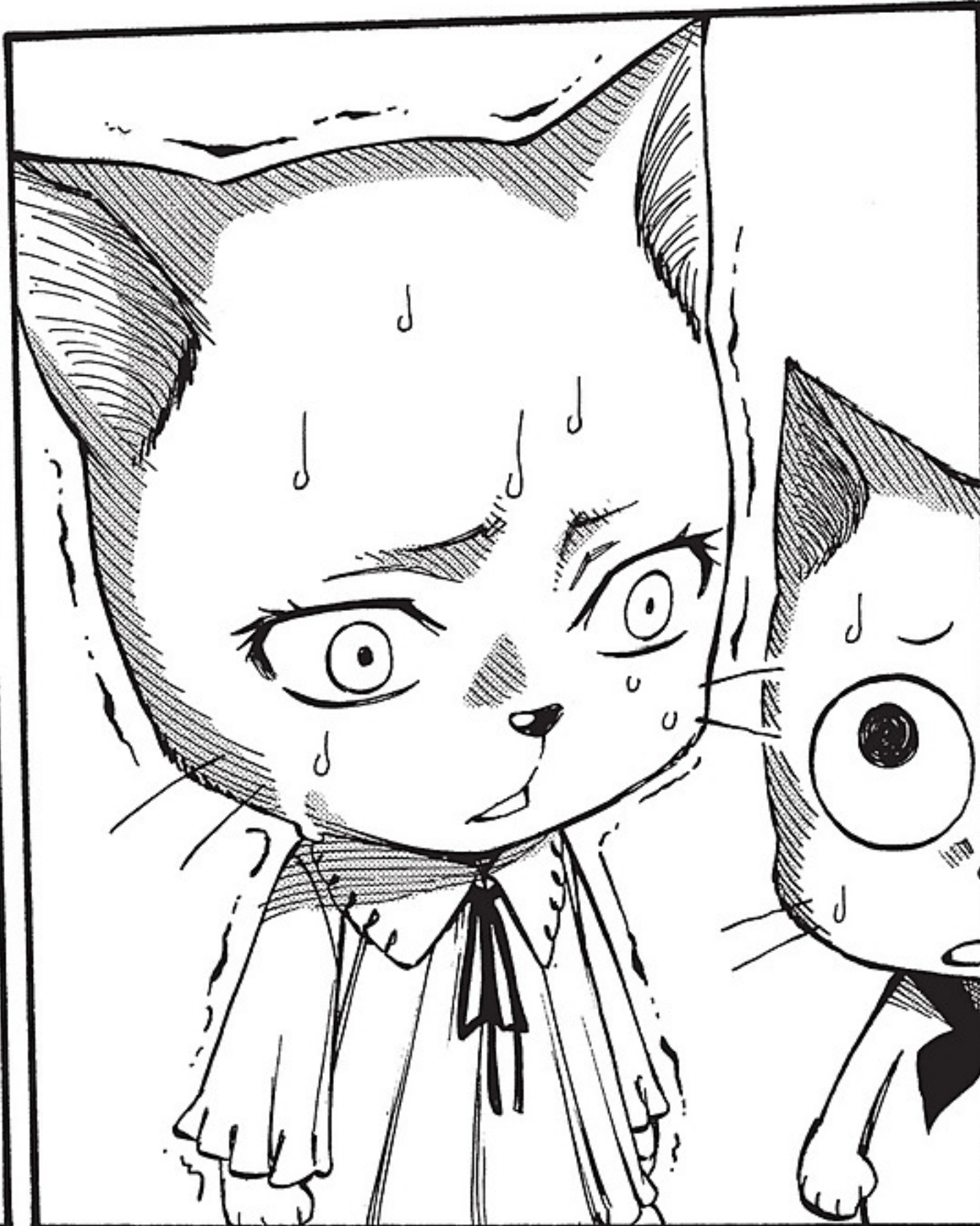
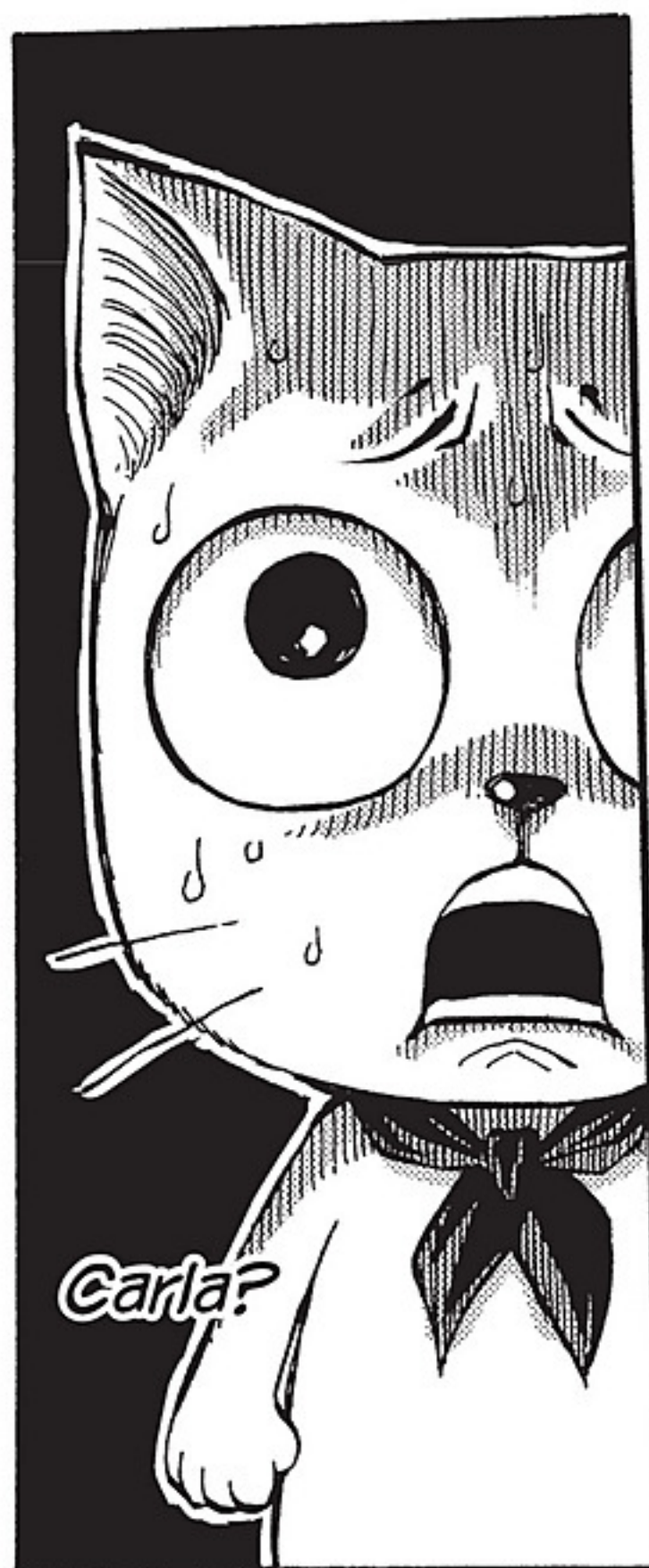
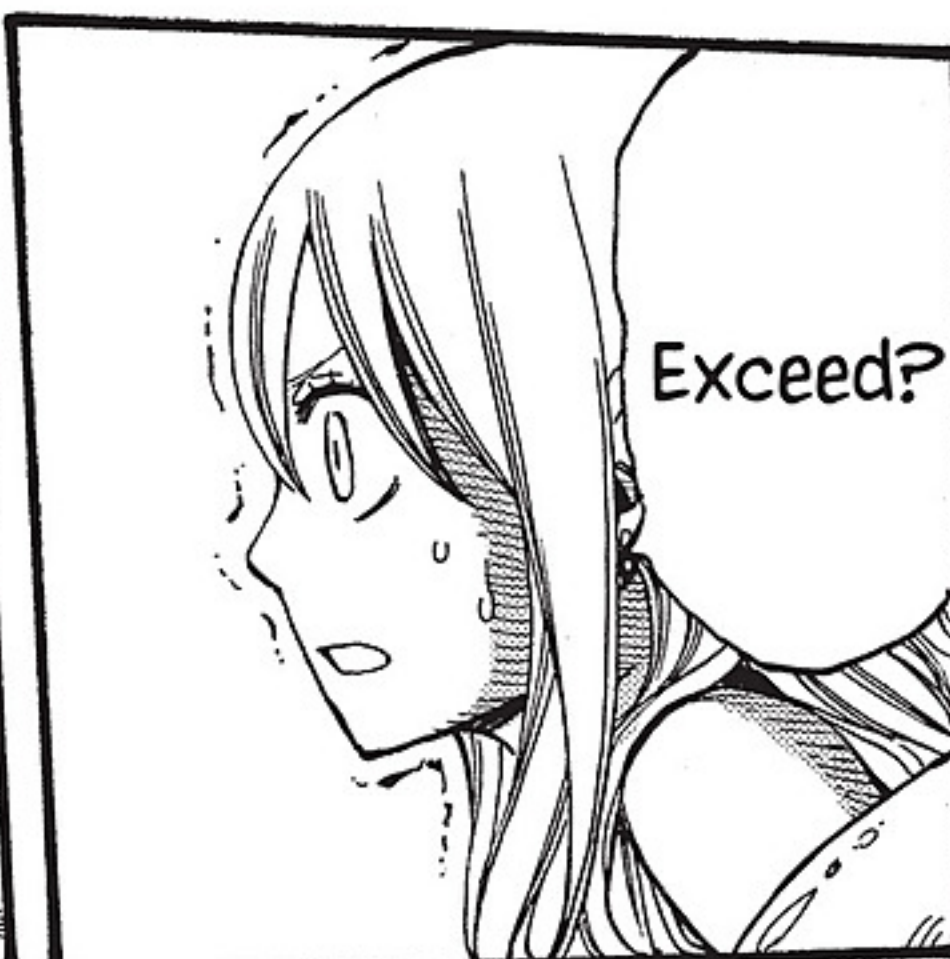
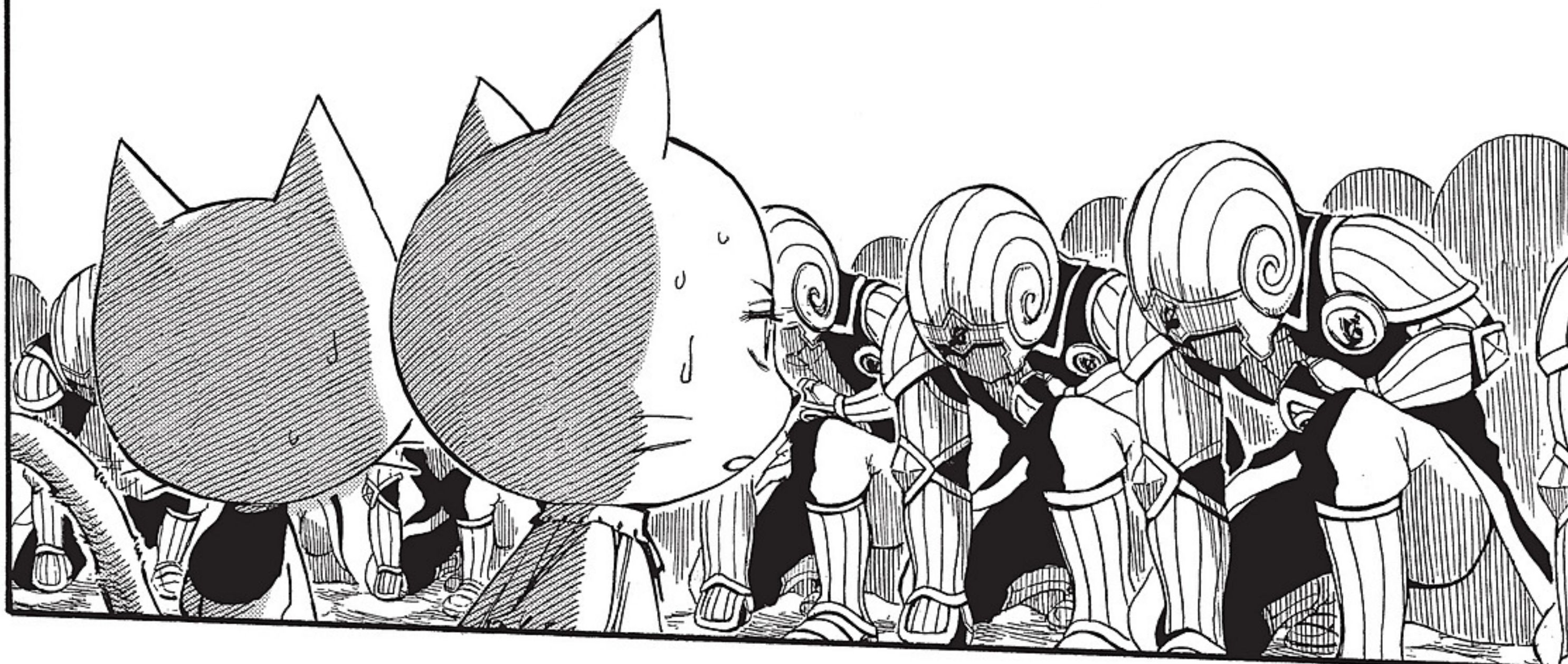




**EXCEED!**

**WELCOME HOME!**







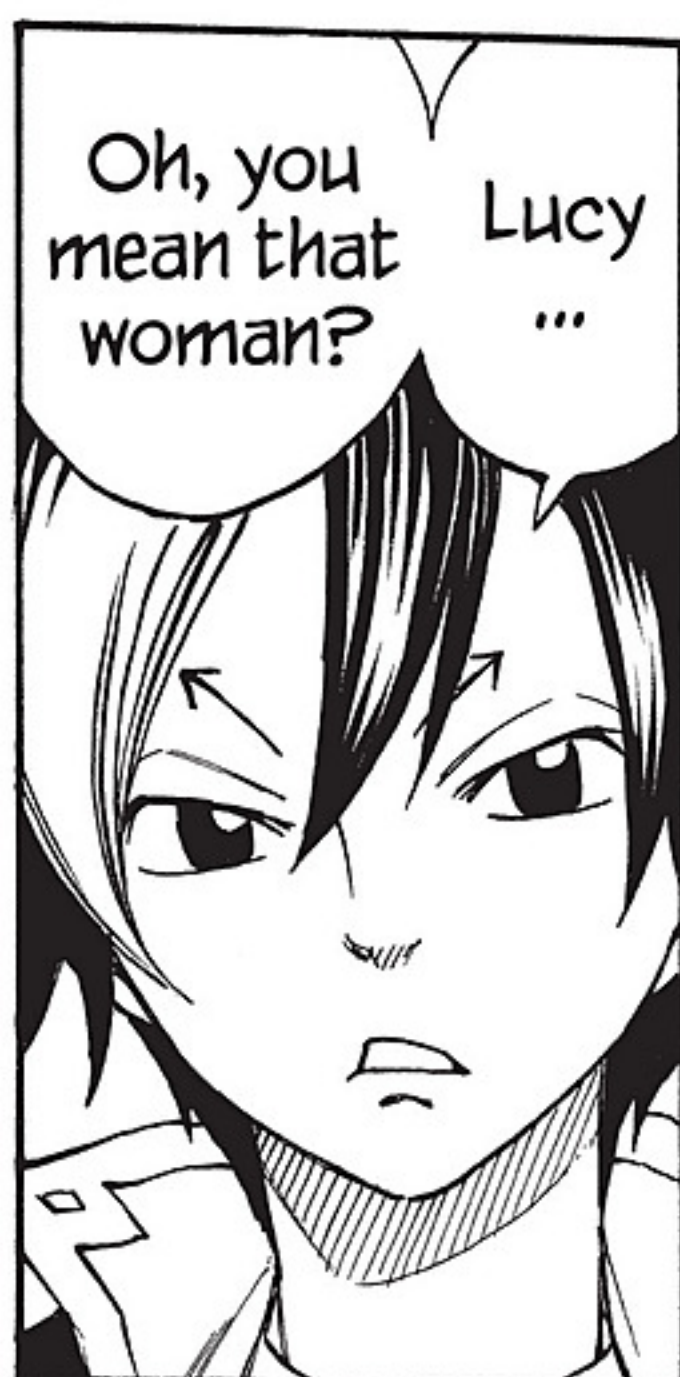
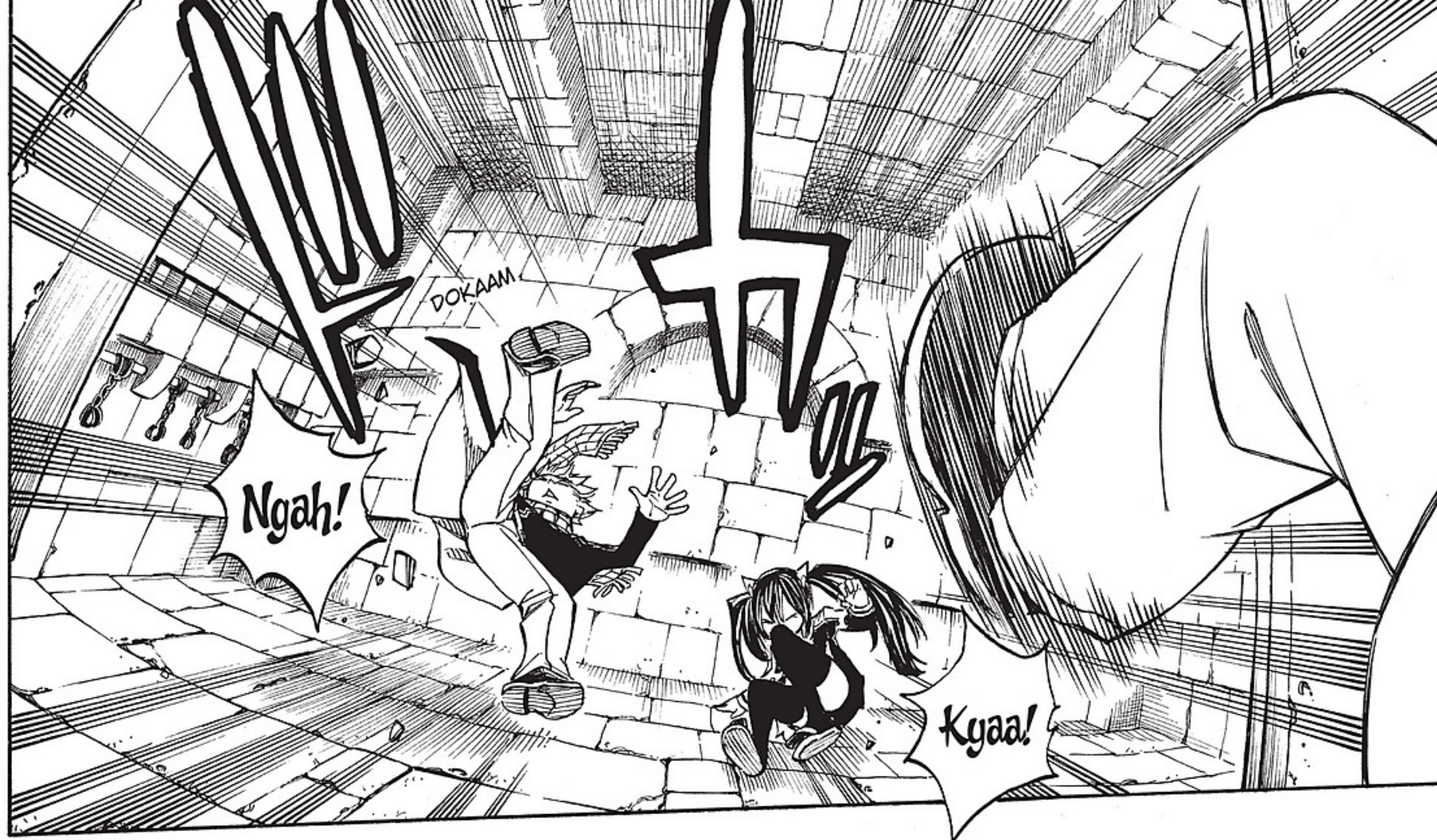
# FAIRY TAIL

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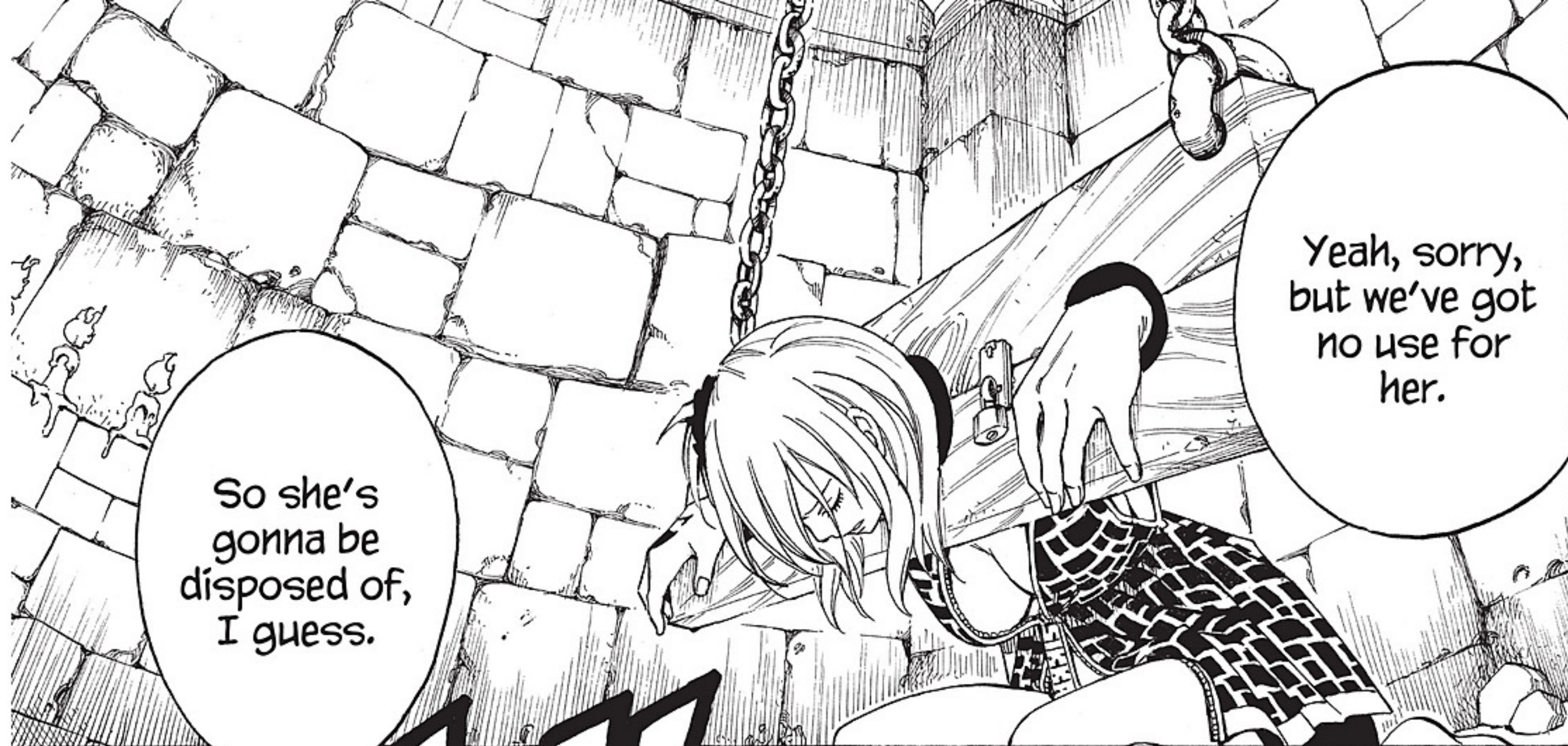
## Chapter 176: Extalia





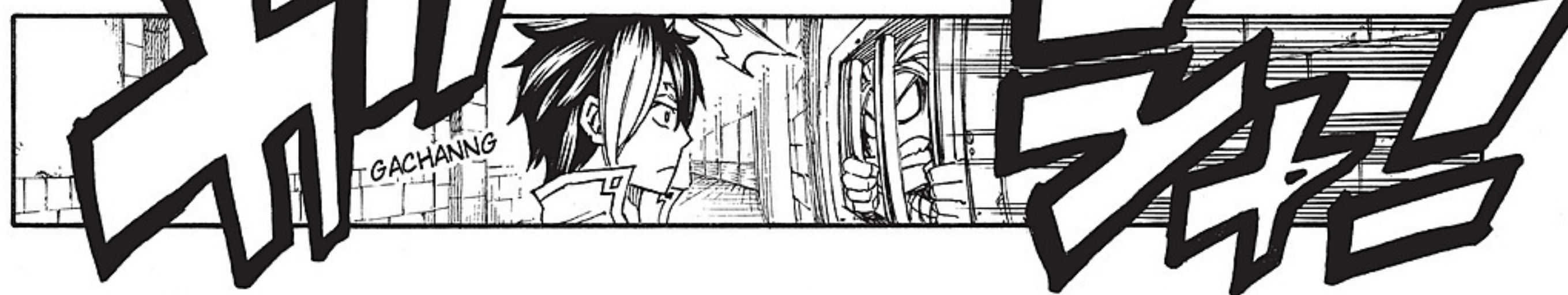






So she's gonna be disposed of, I guess.

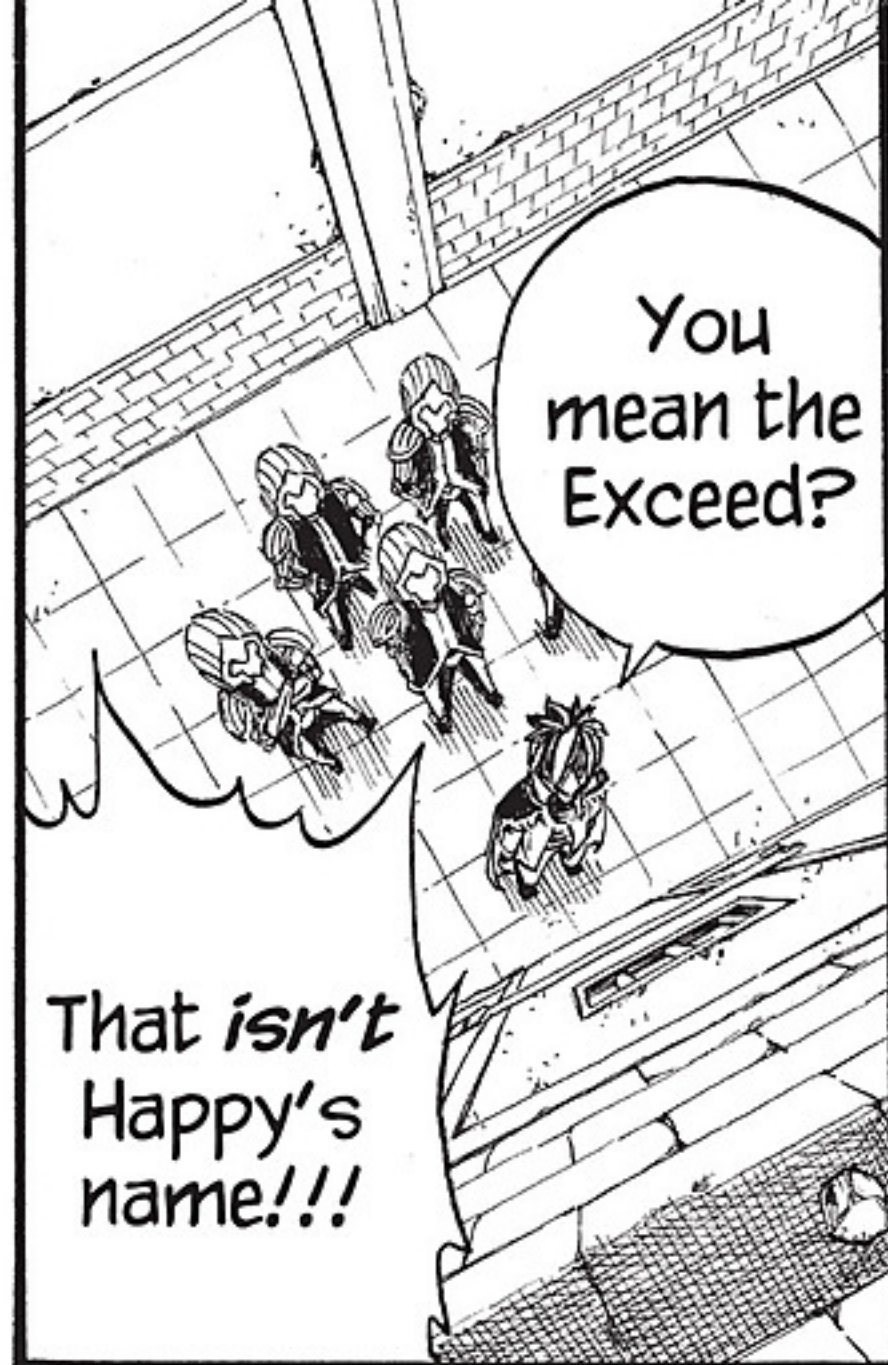
Yeah, sorry, but we've got no use for her.



...and I'm gonna turn you all into ashes, got it?!

Just try putting even a scratch on Lucy ...









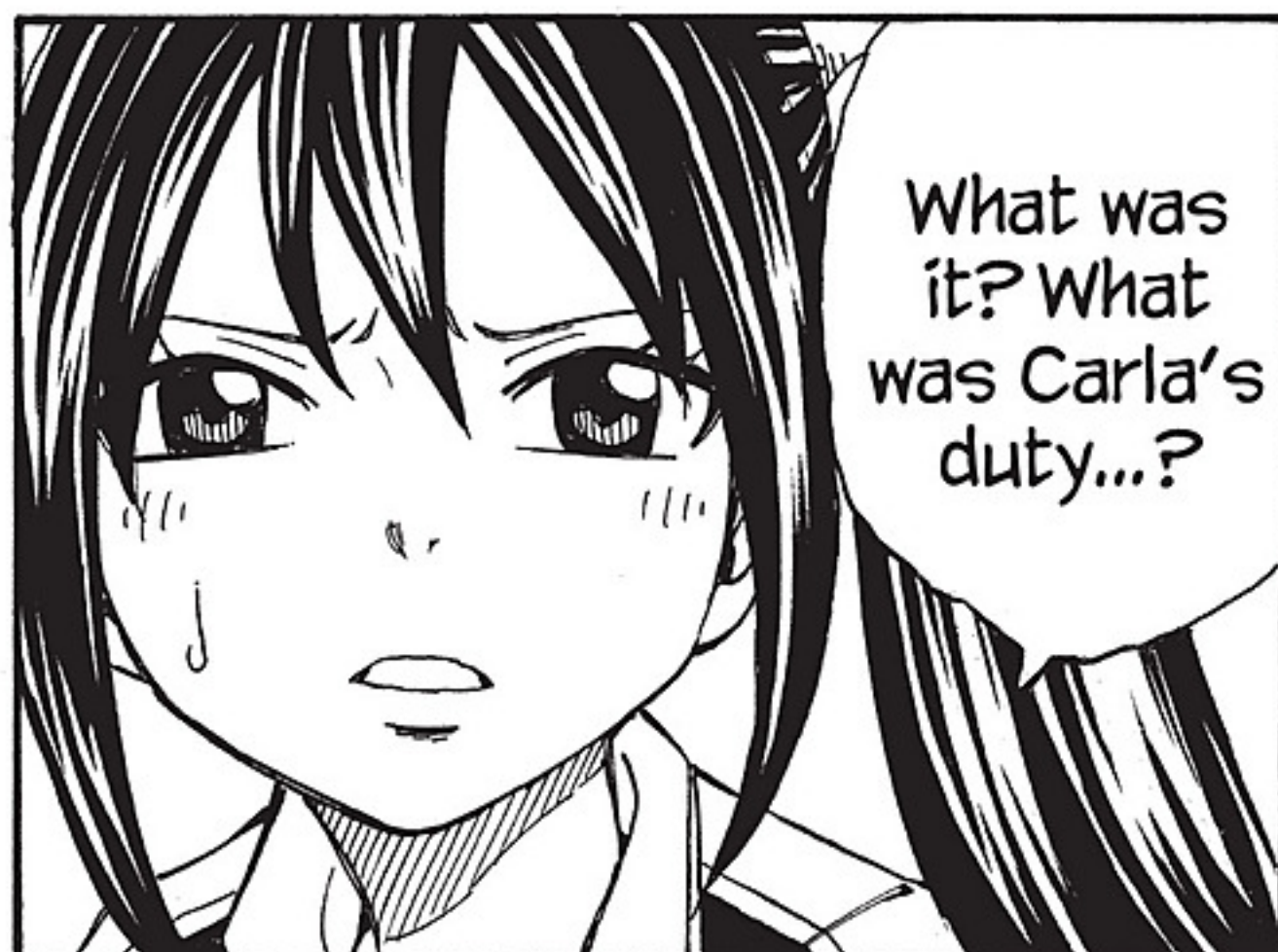
Nope. She fulfilled it in fine fashion!

... *Carla* had abandoned it!

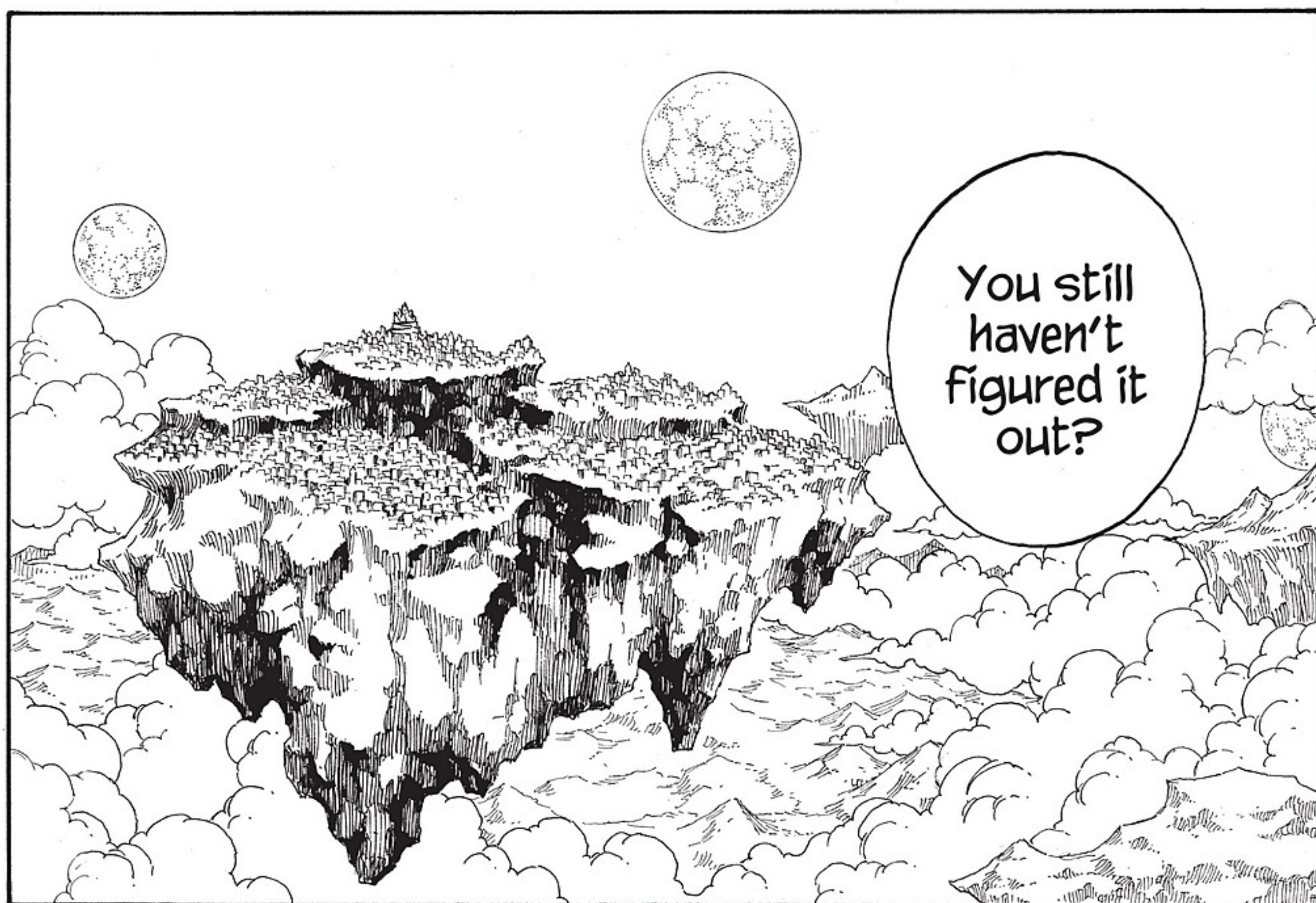
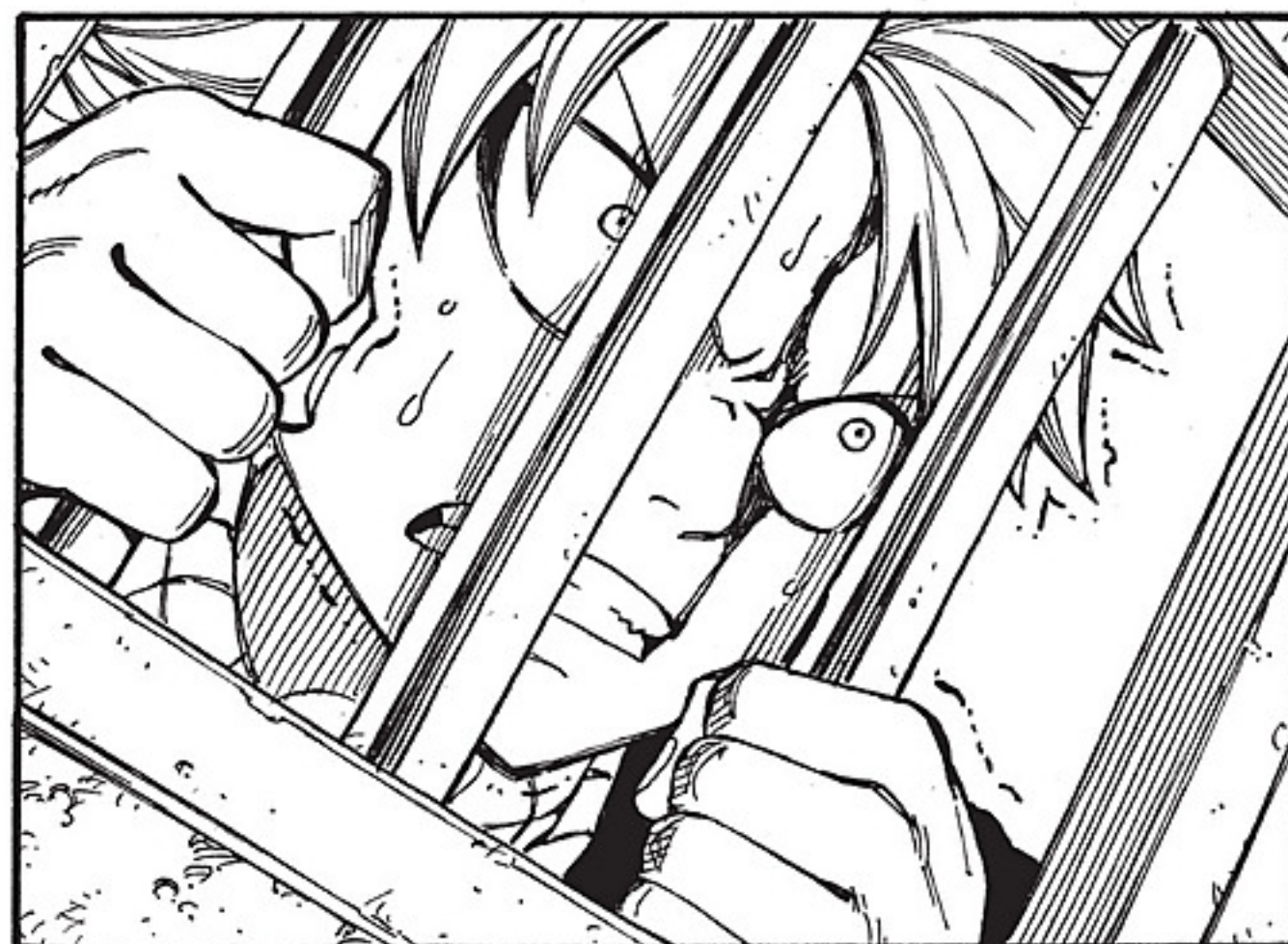


That isn't possible!

I don't know what her "duty" was, but...

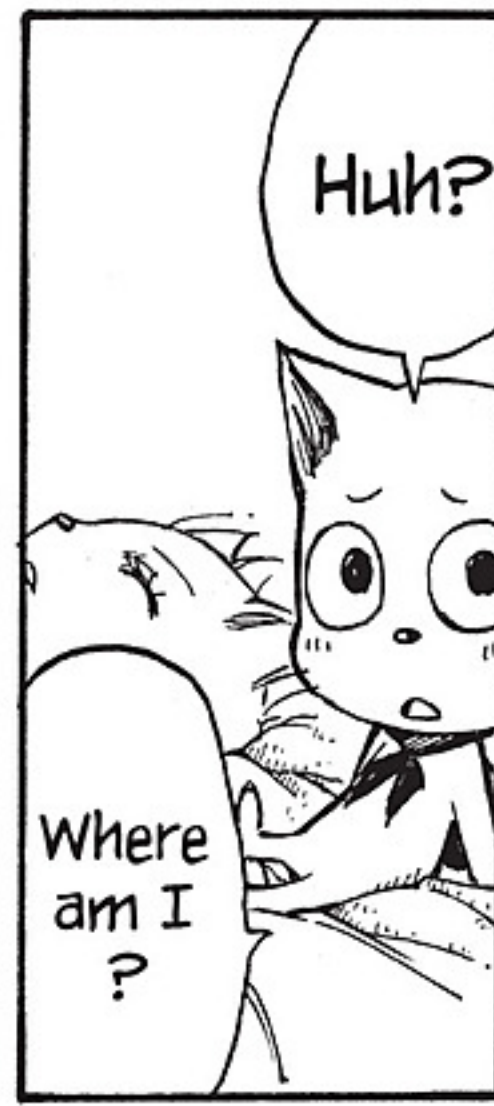
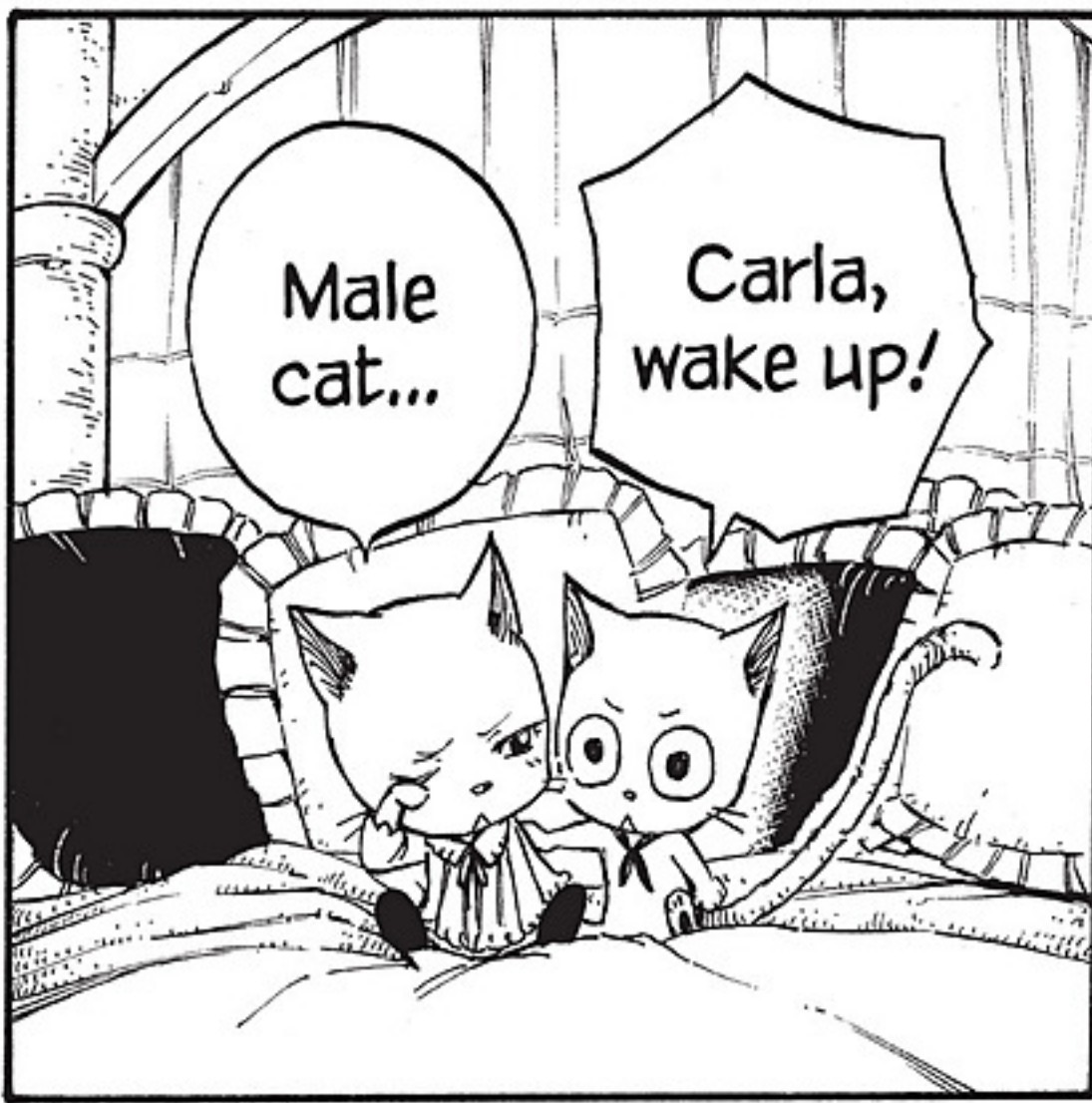
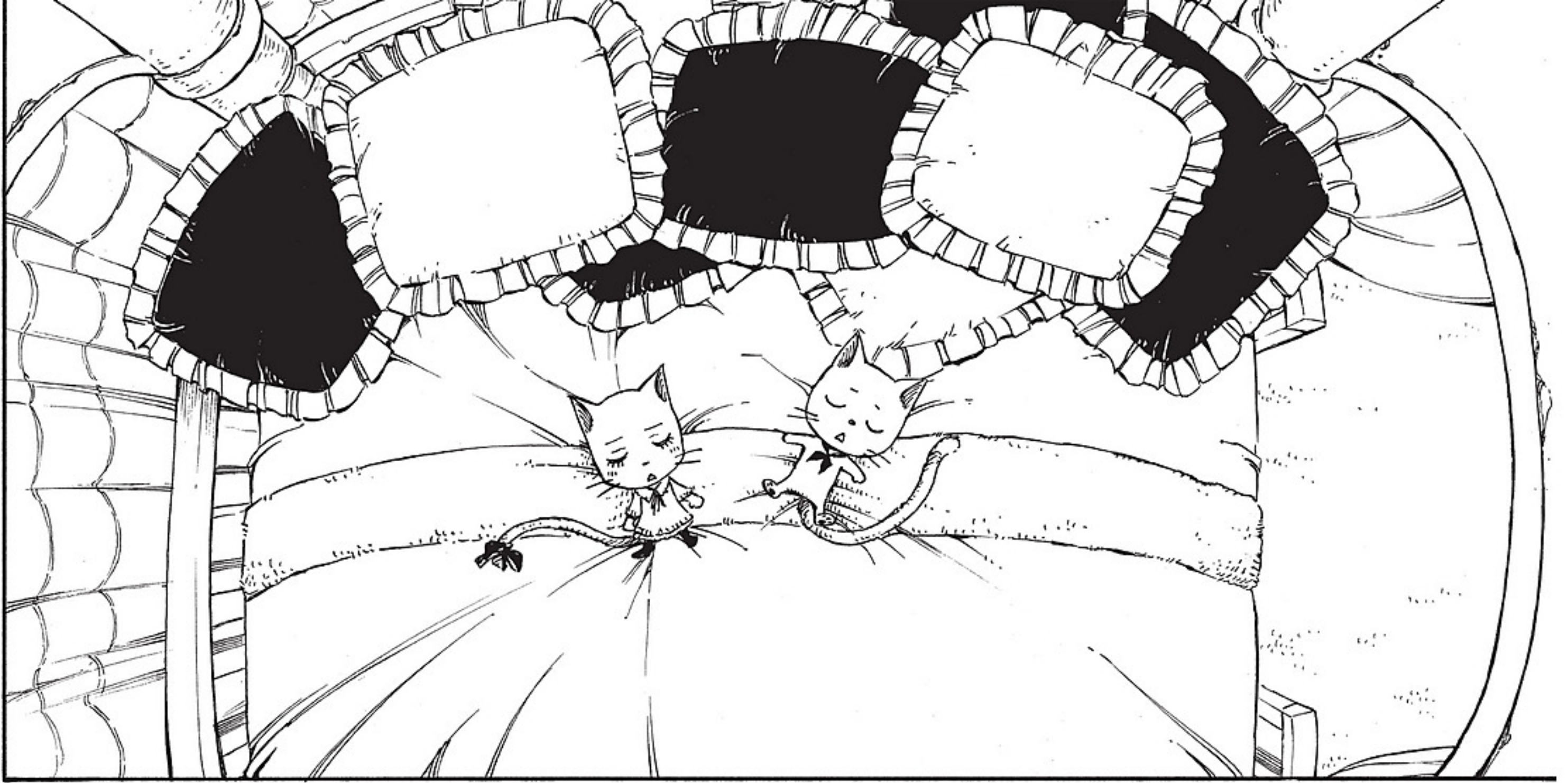


What was it? What was Carla's duty...?

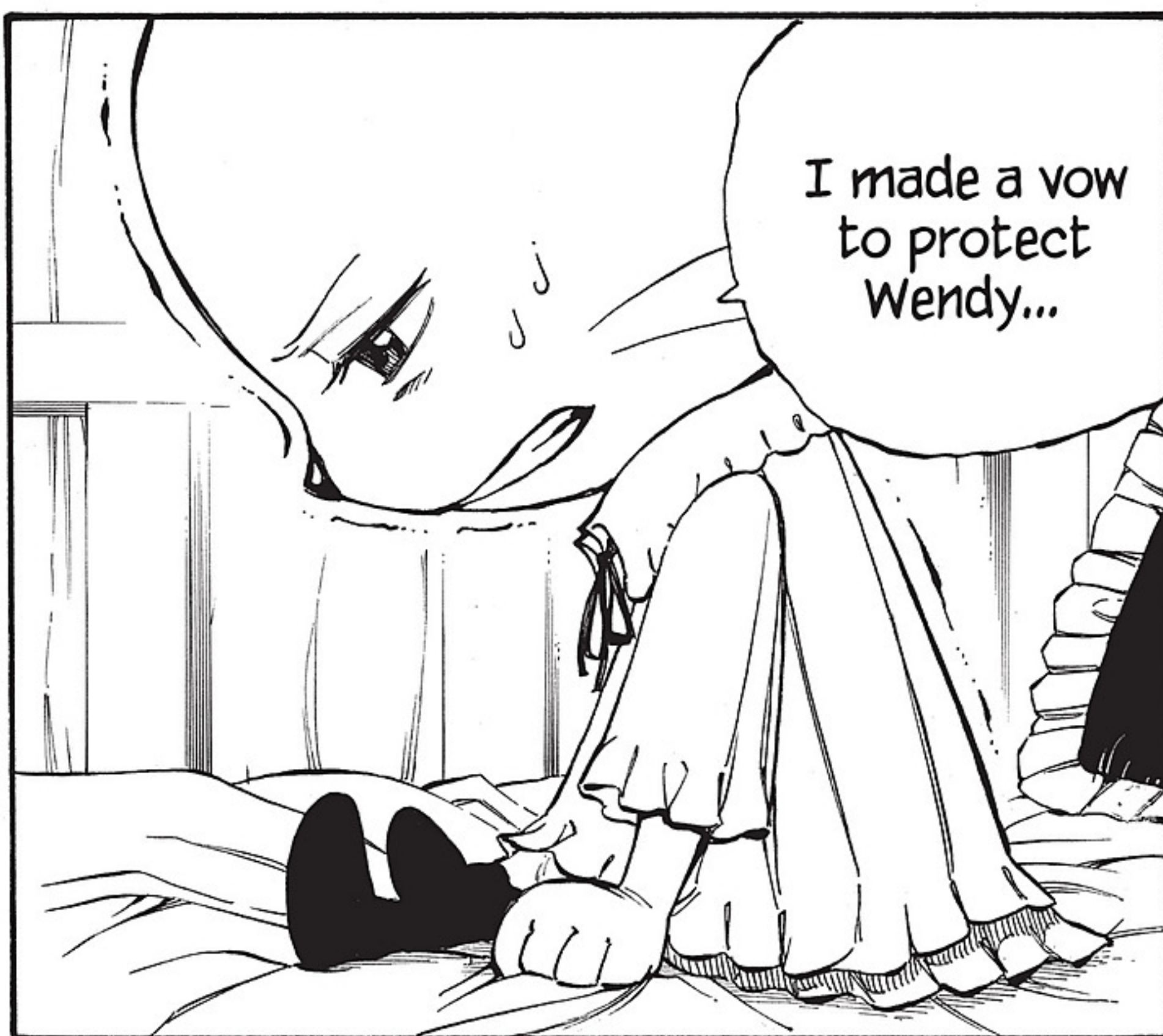
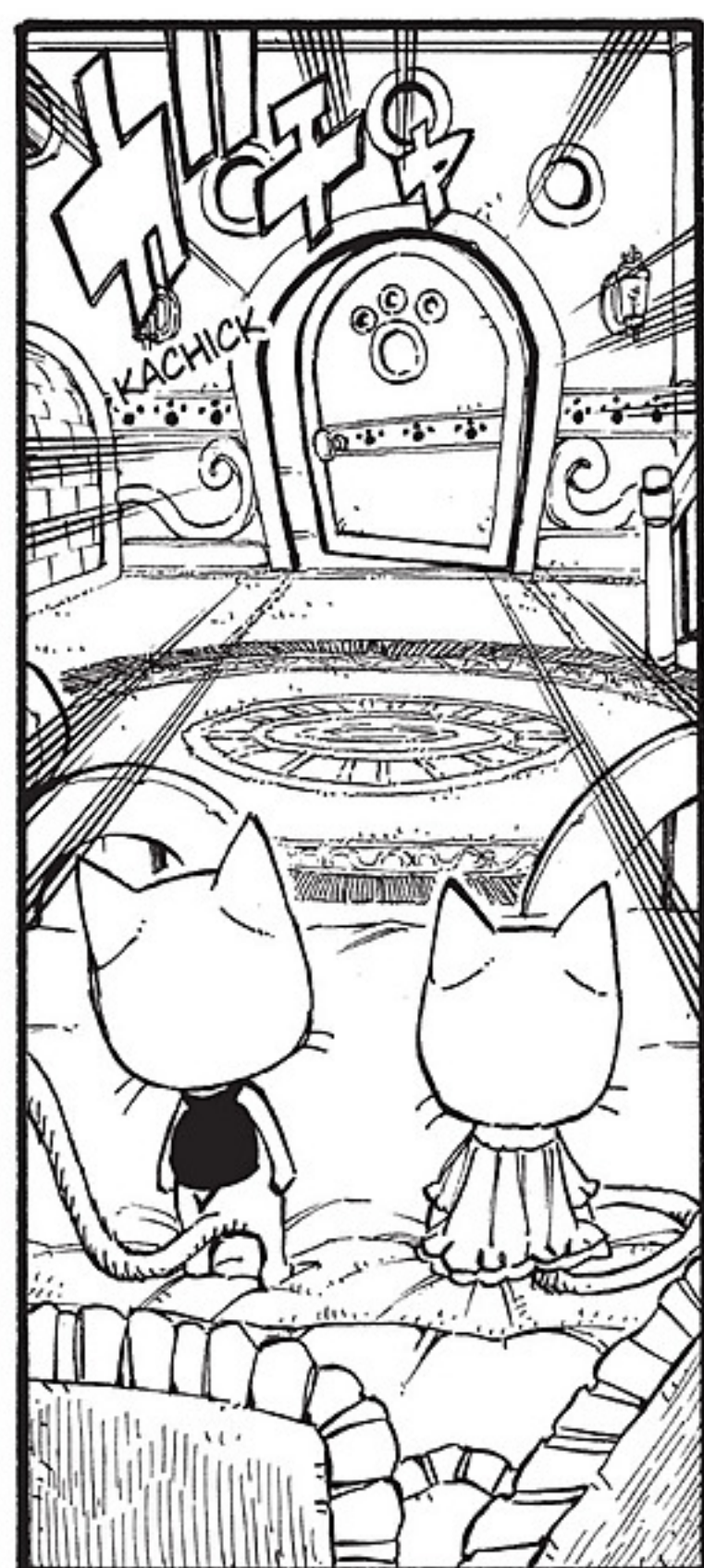
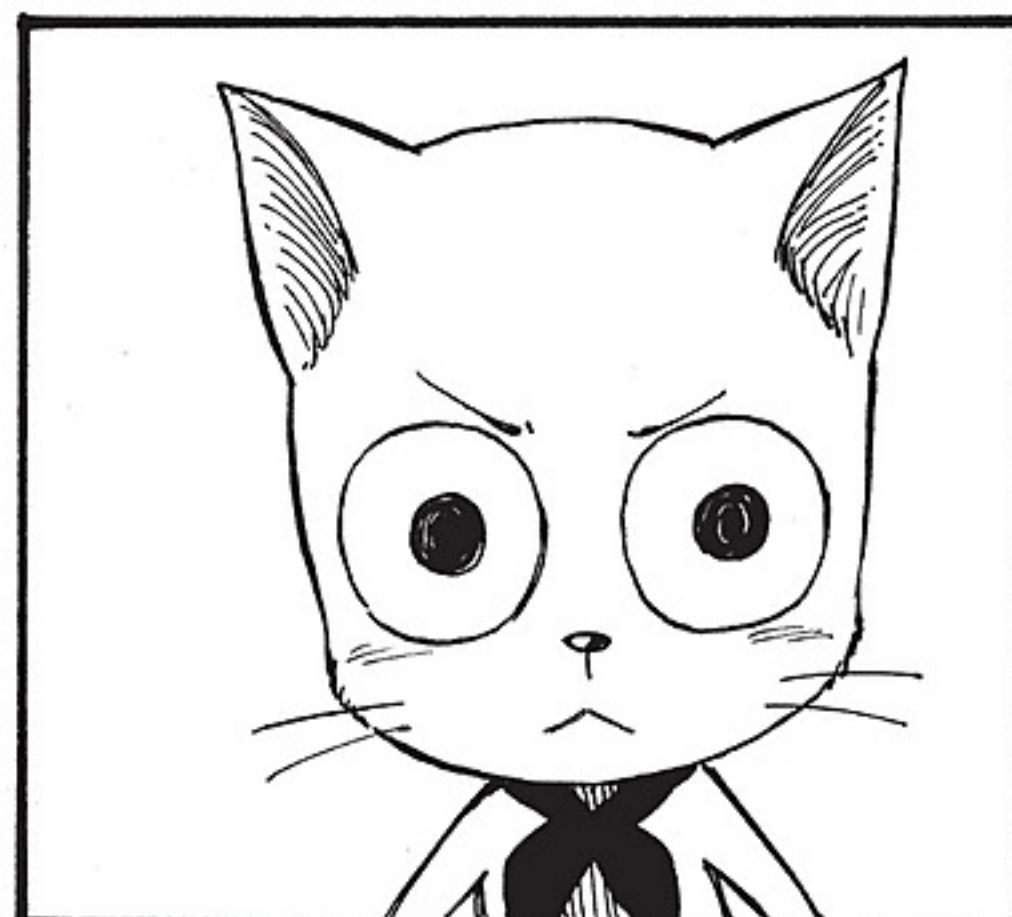
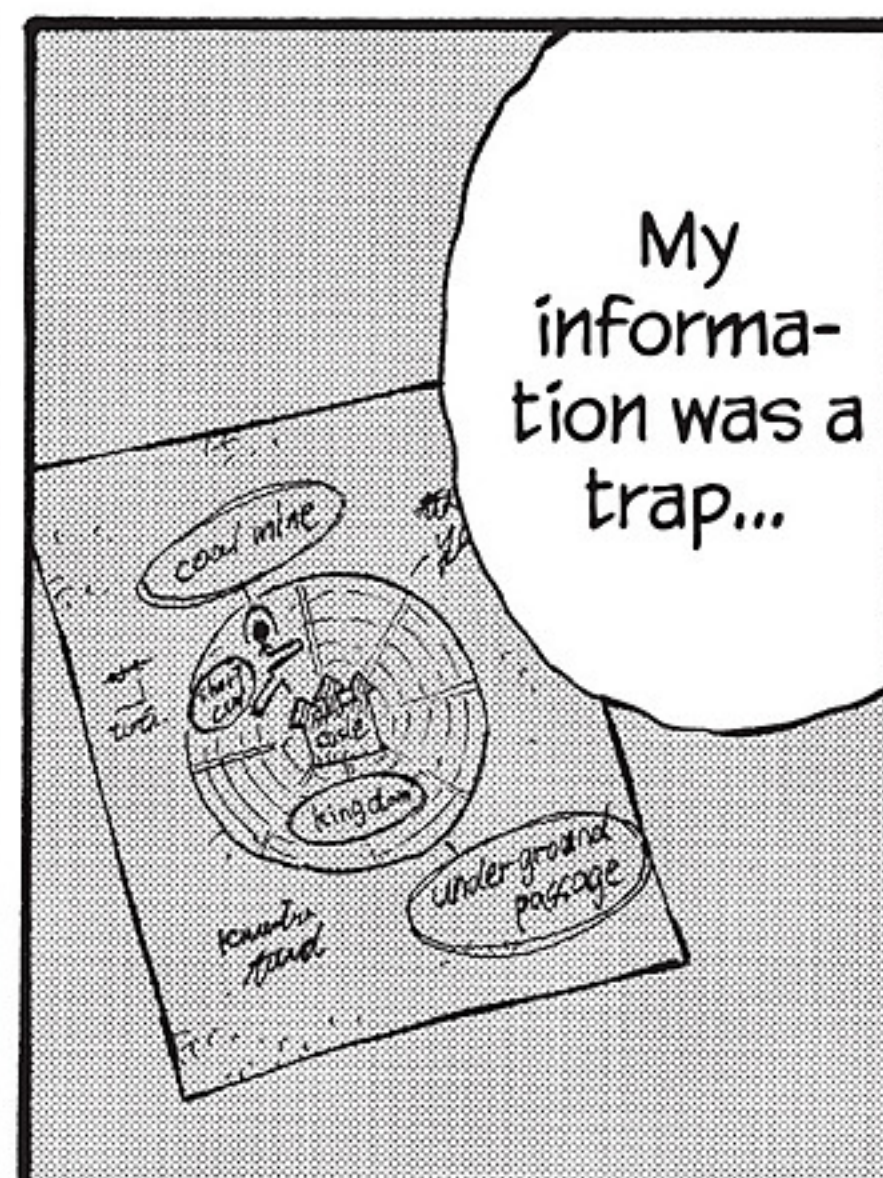
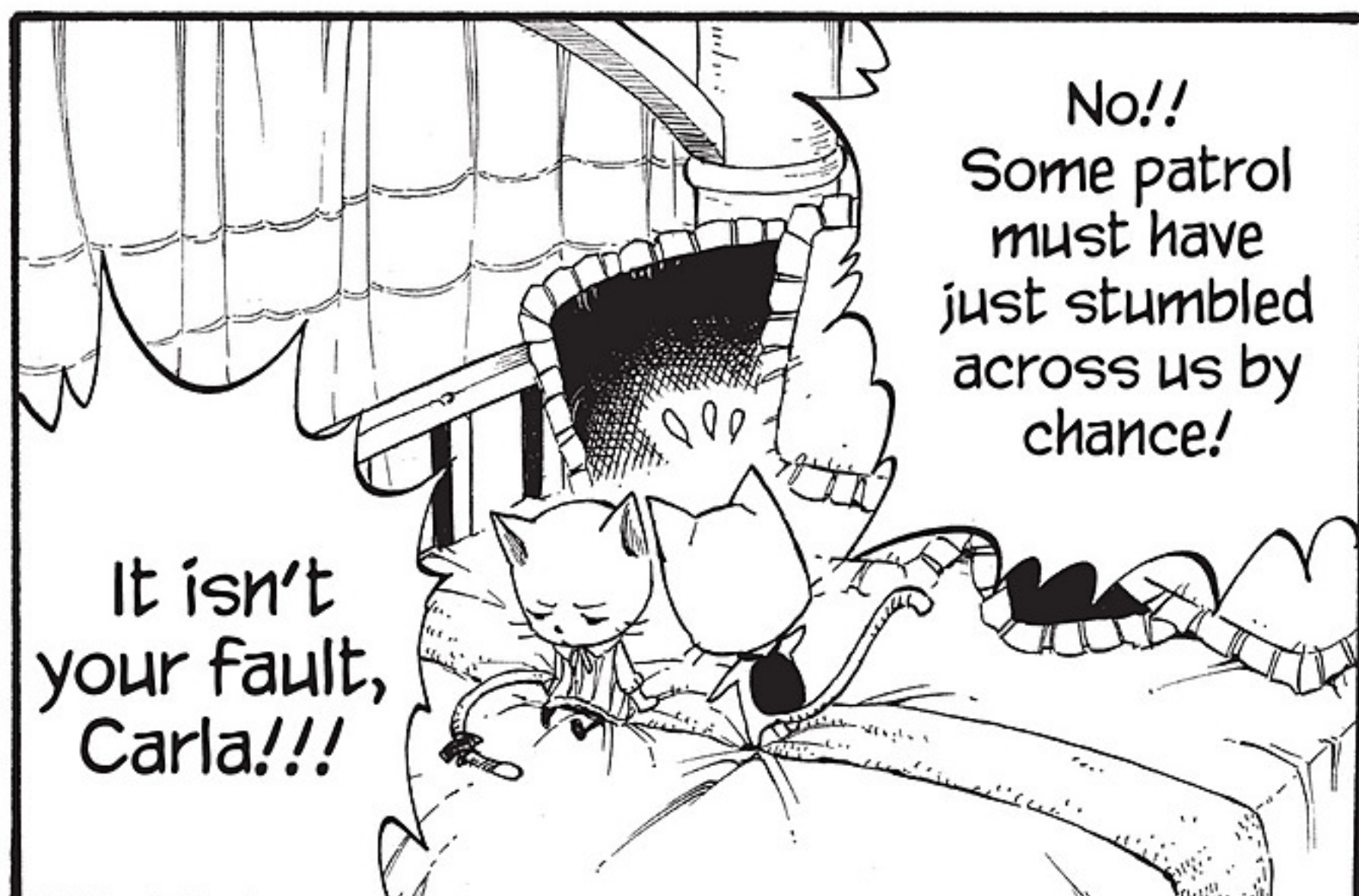


You still haven't figured it out?

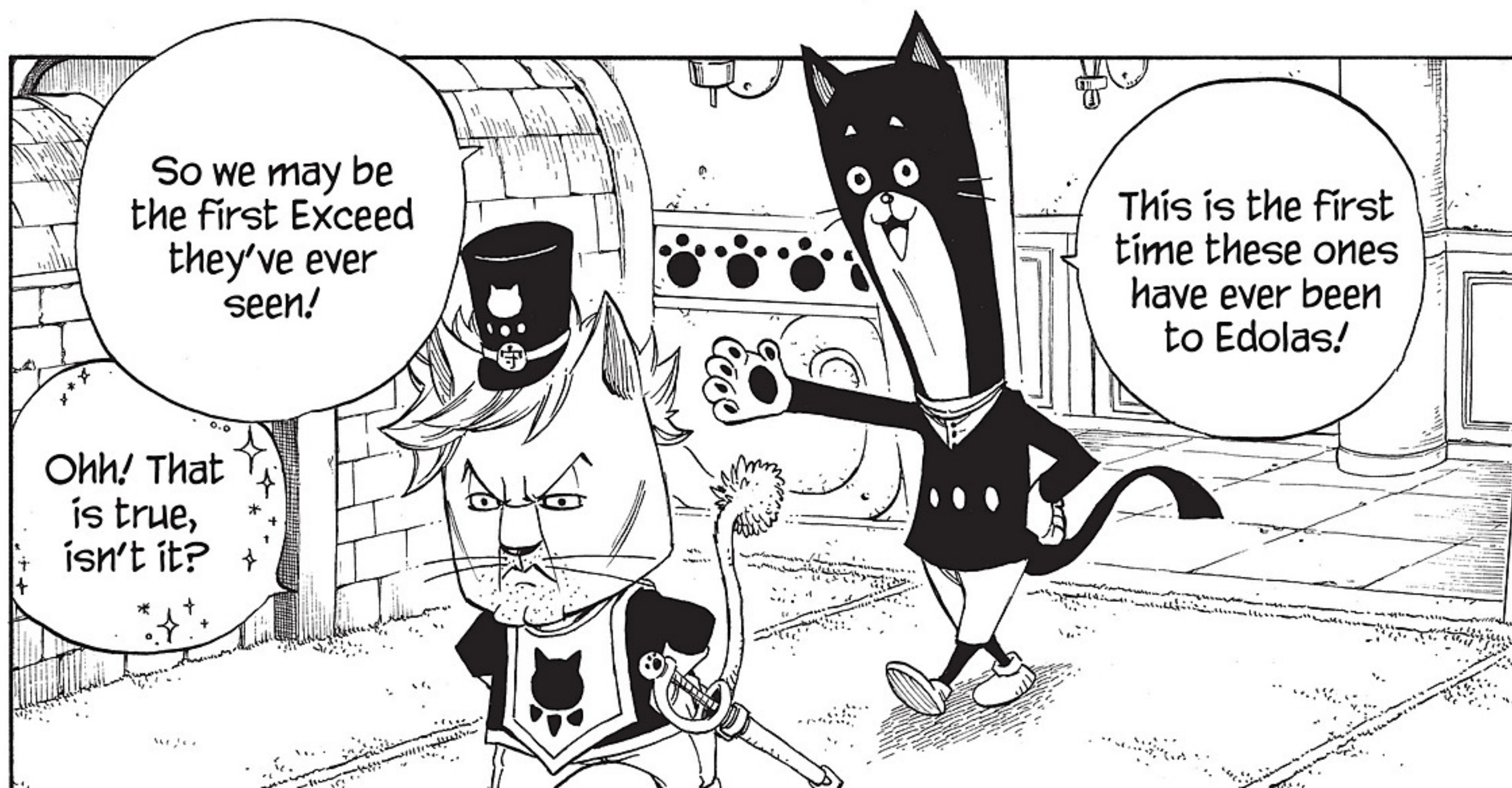
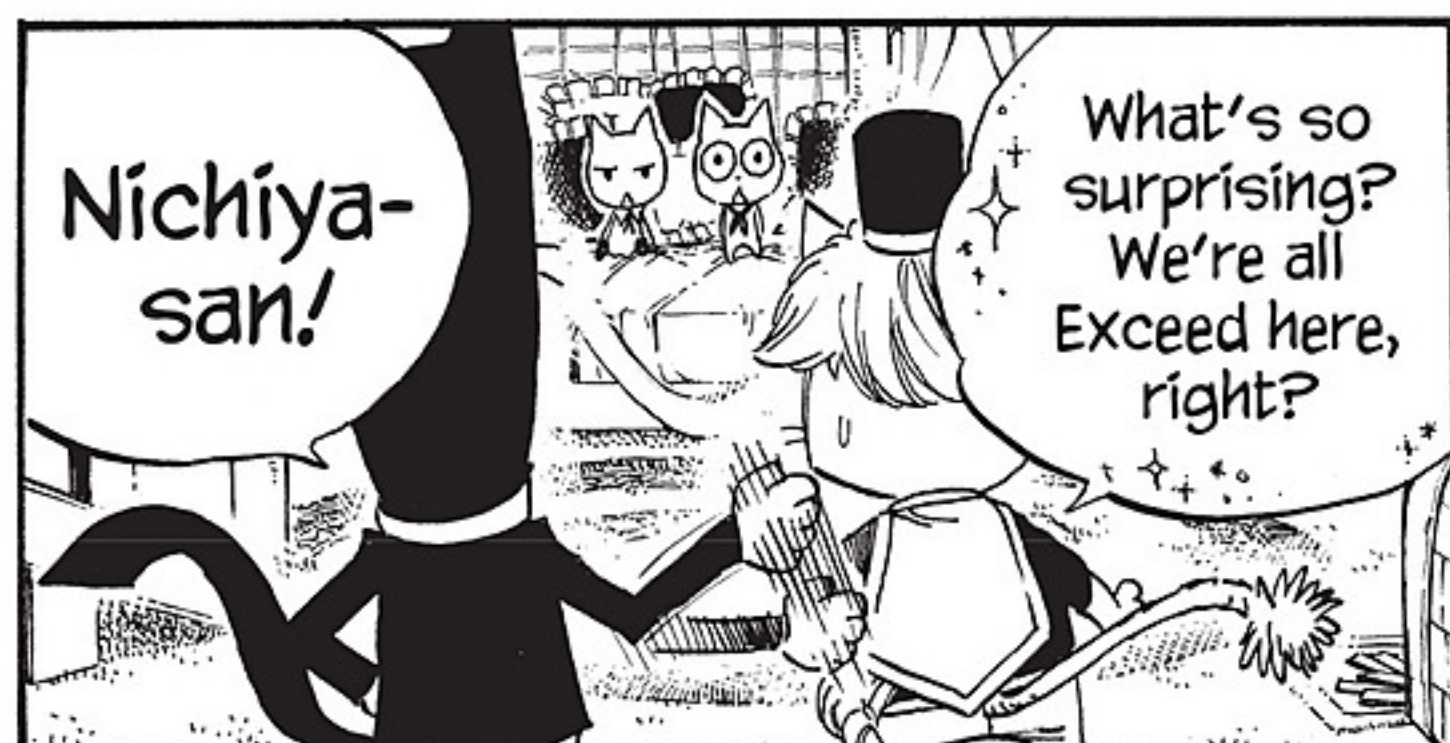




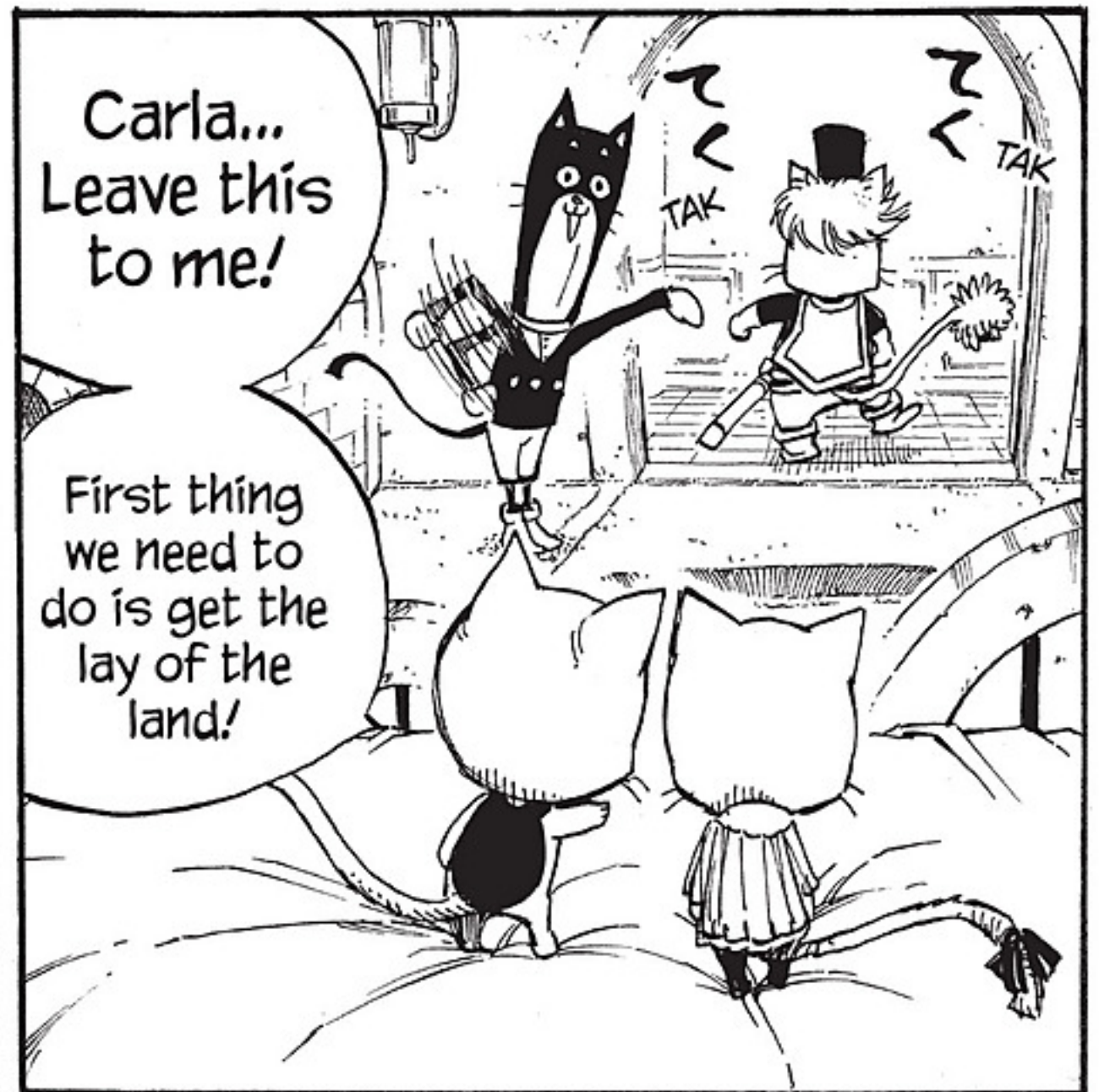
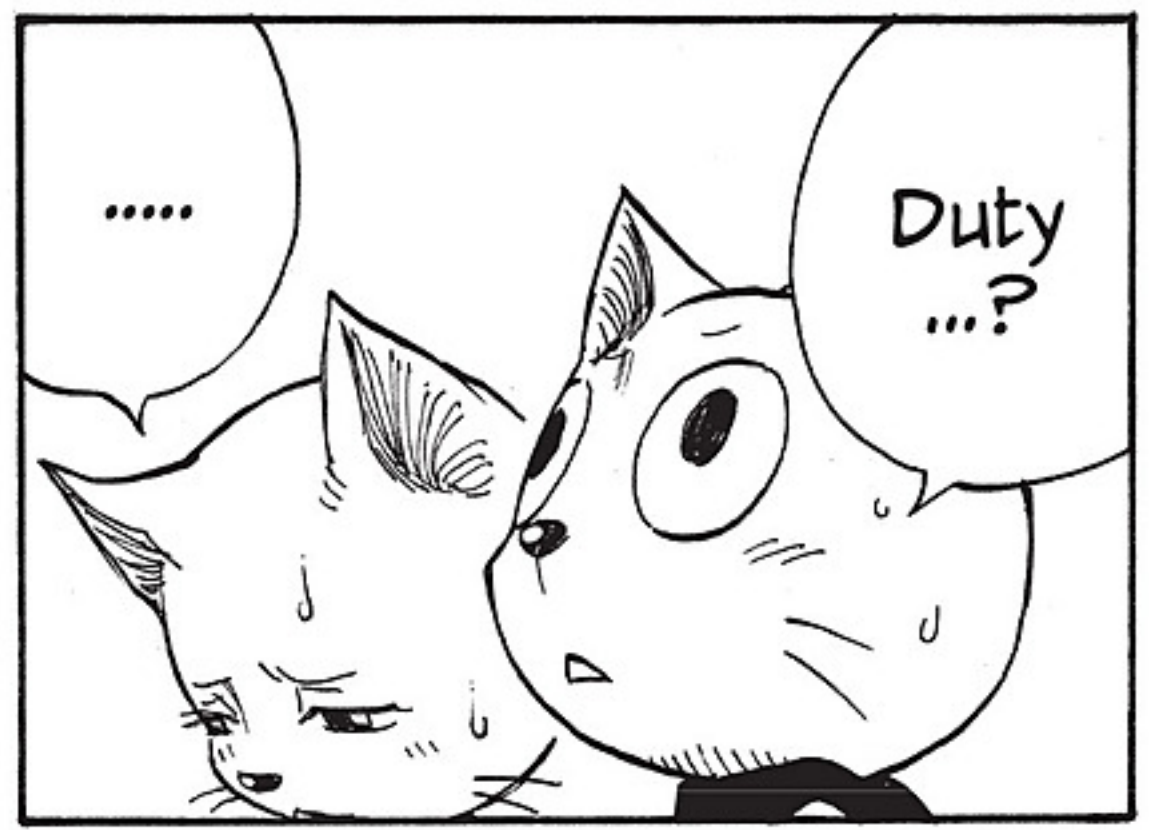
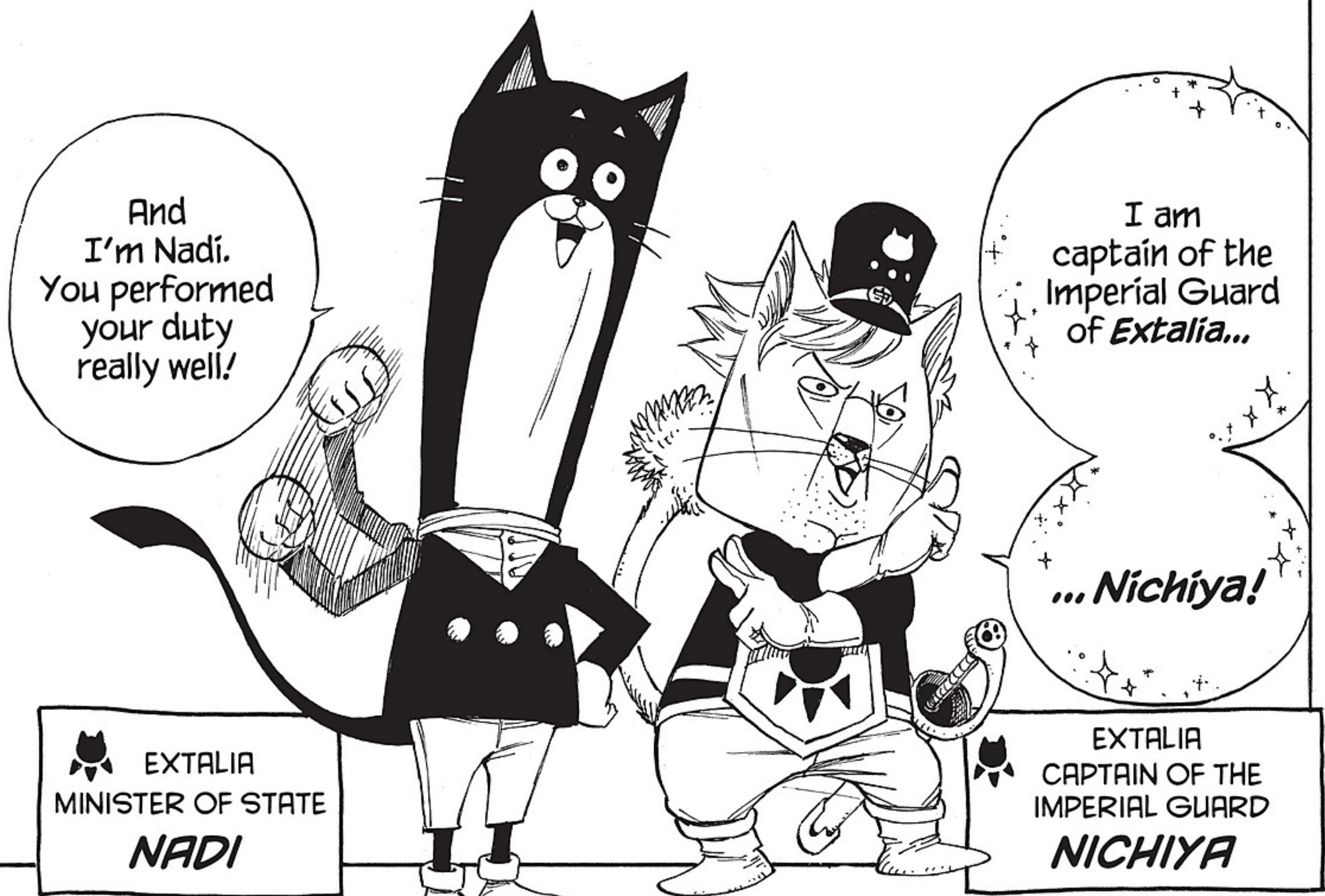




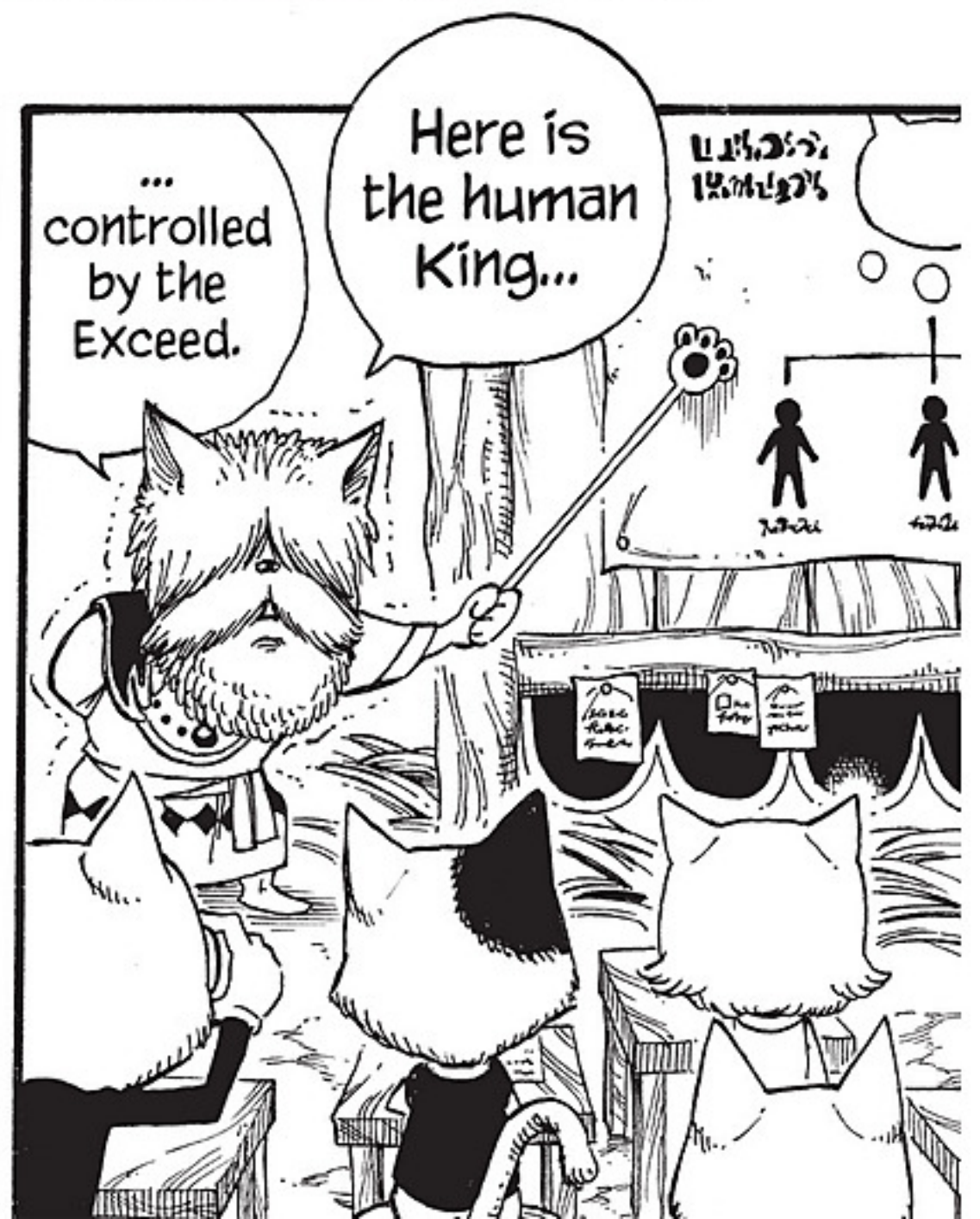
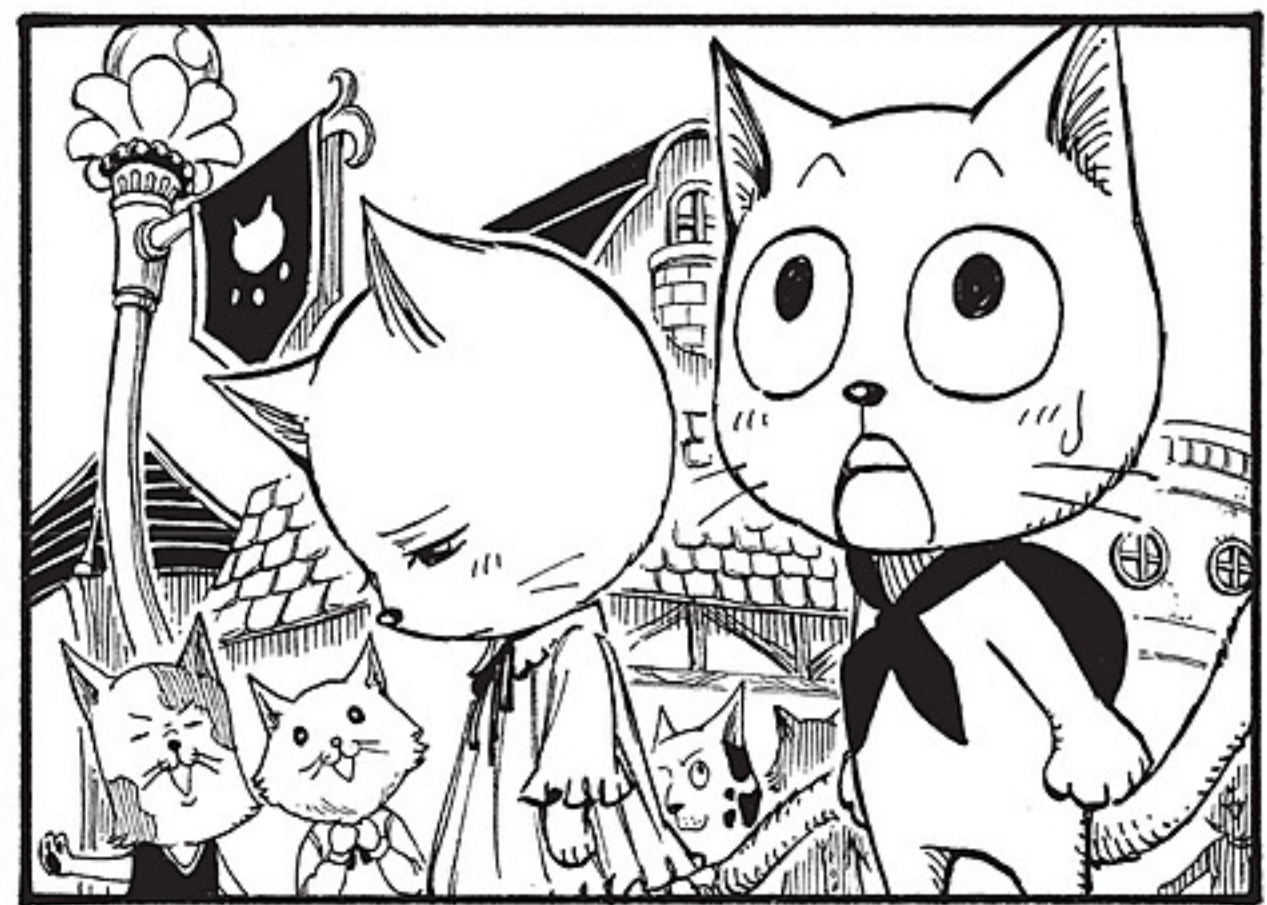
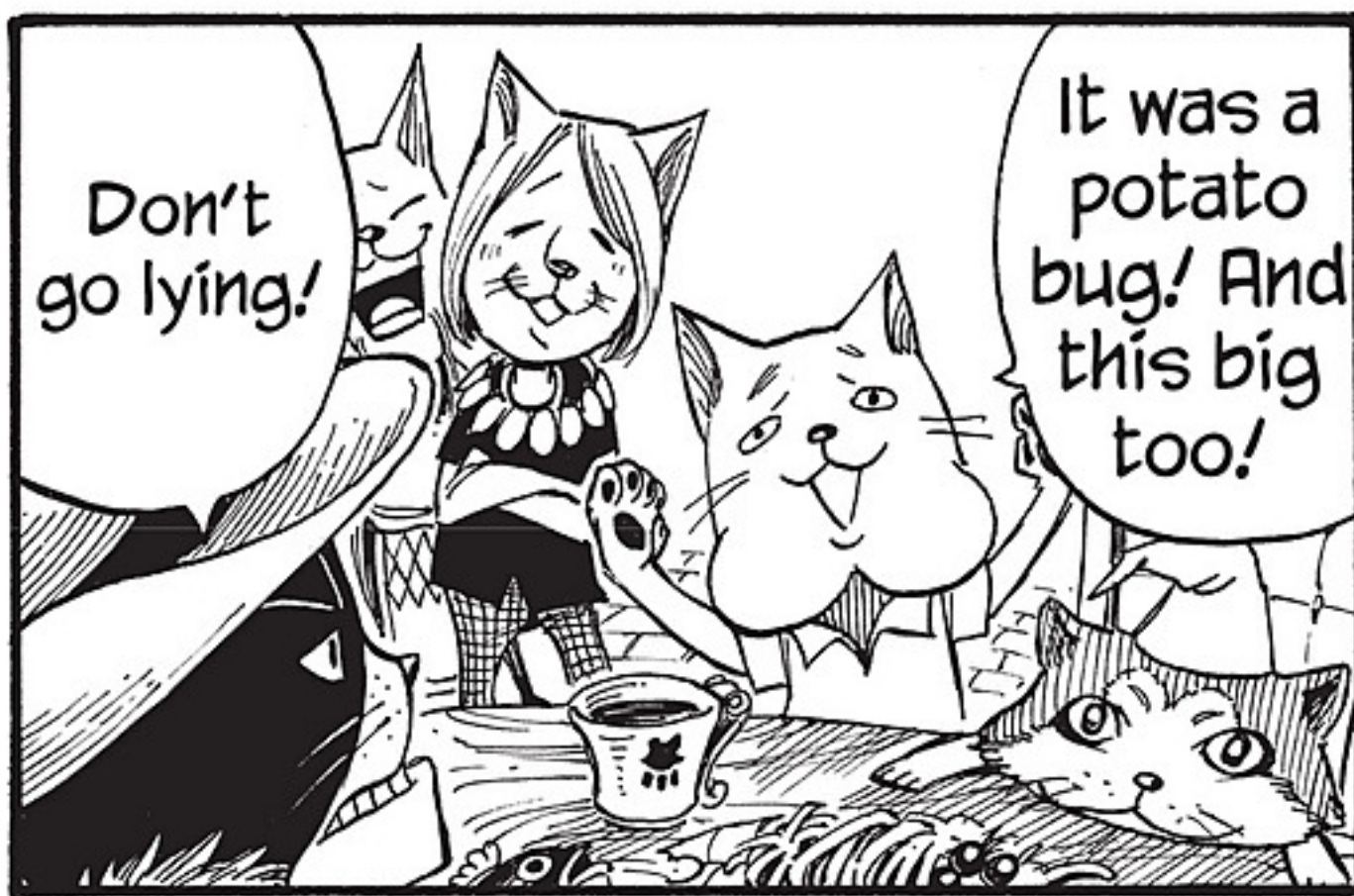




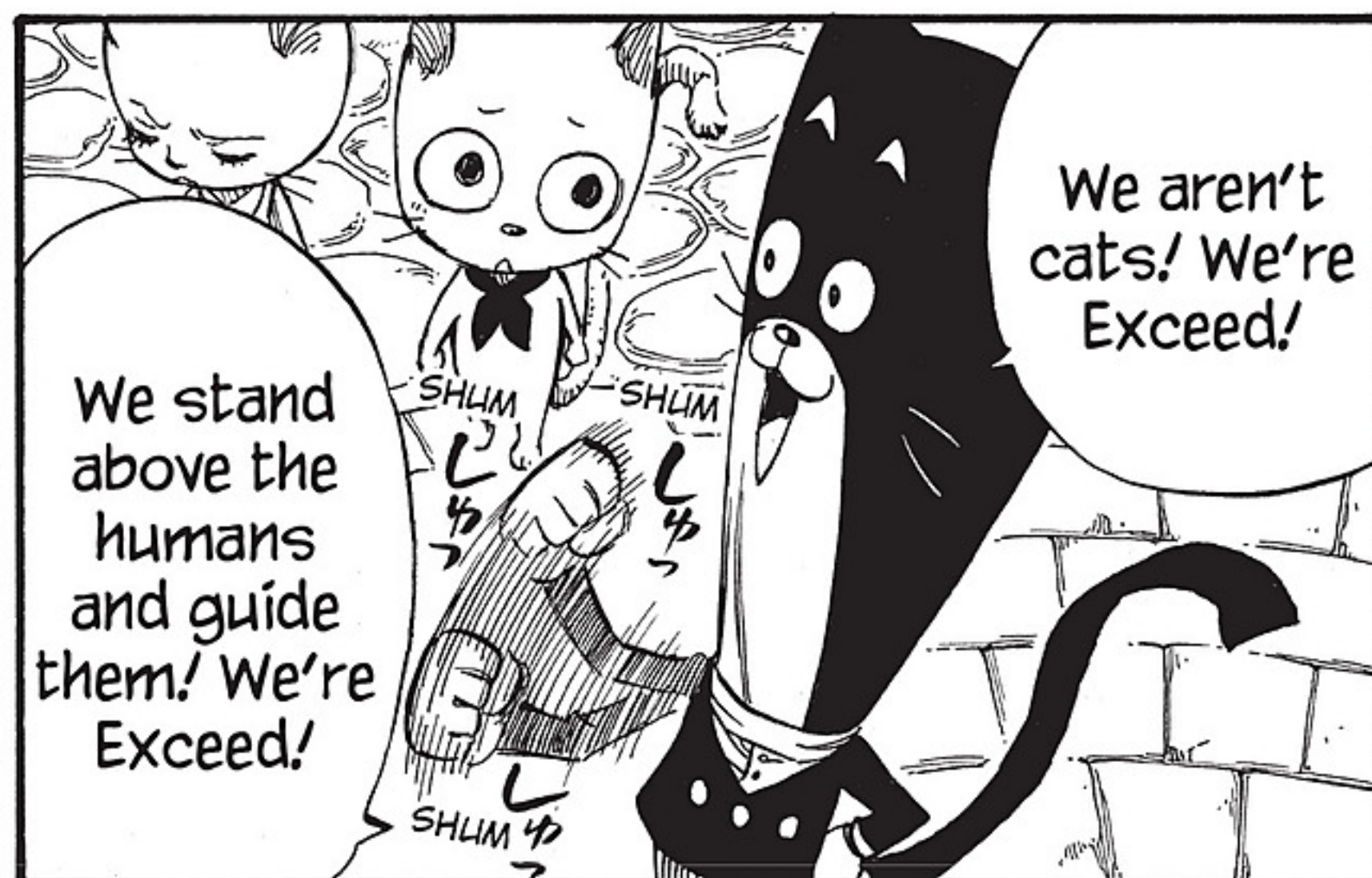
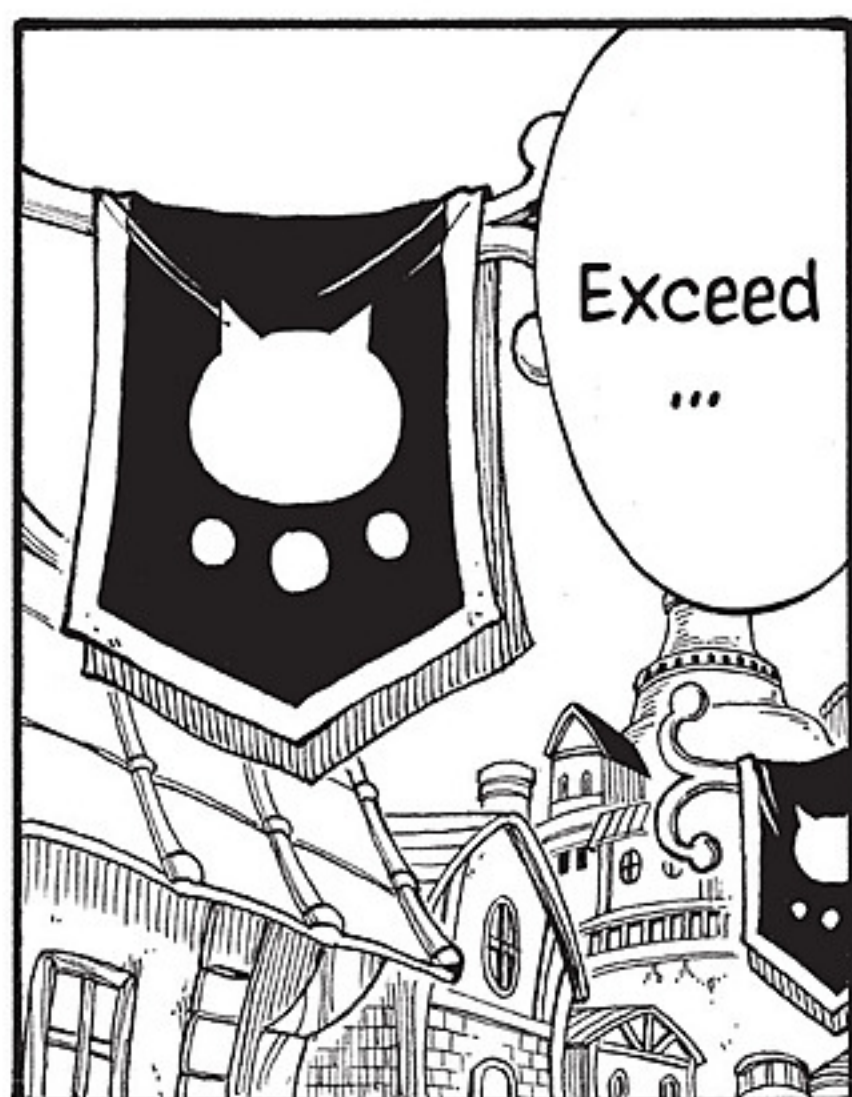




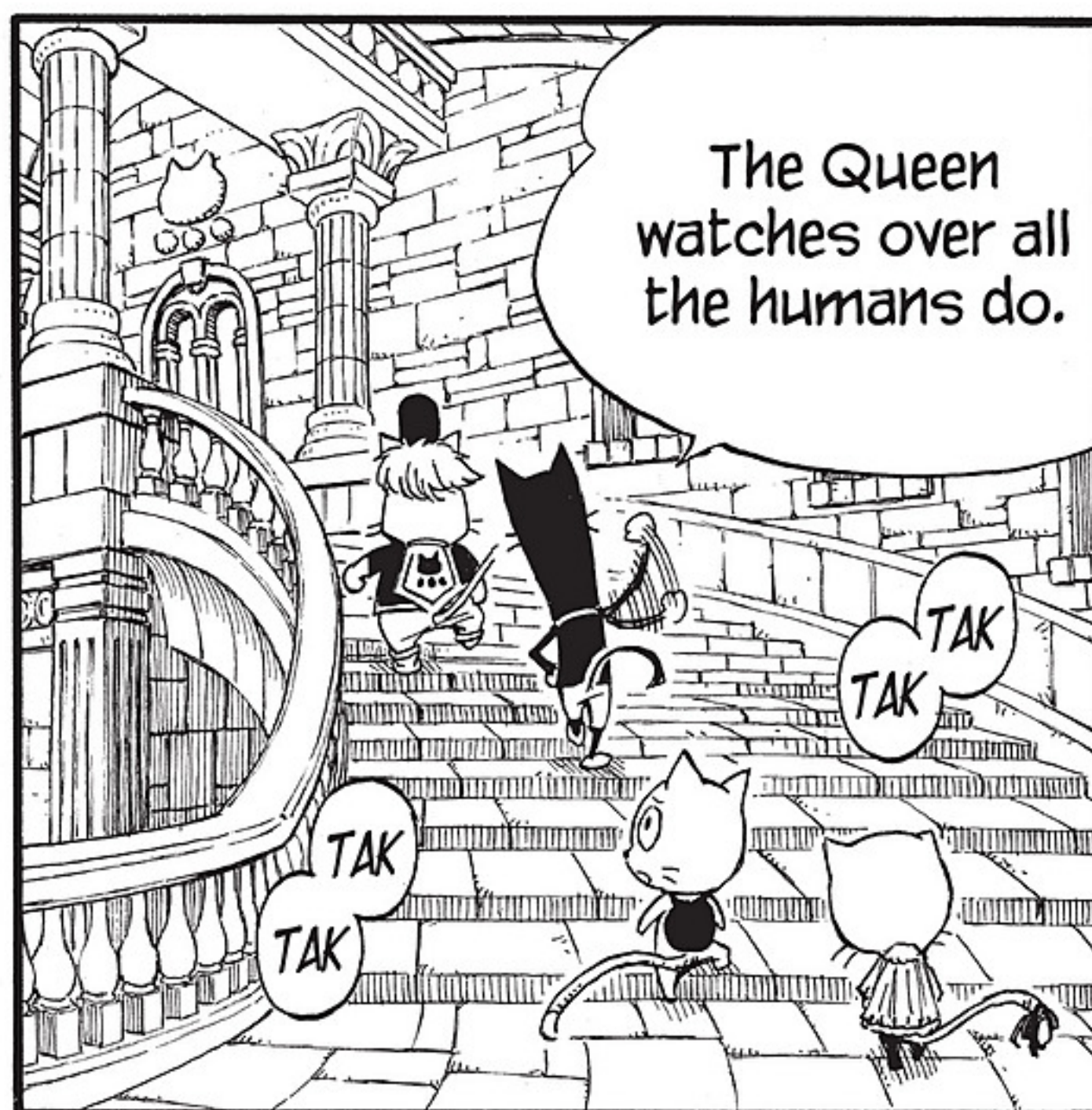
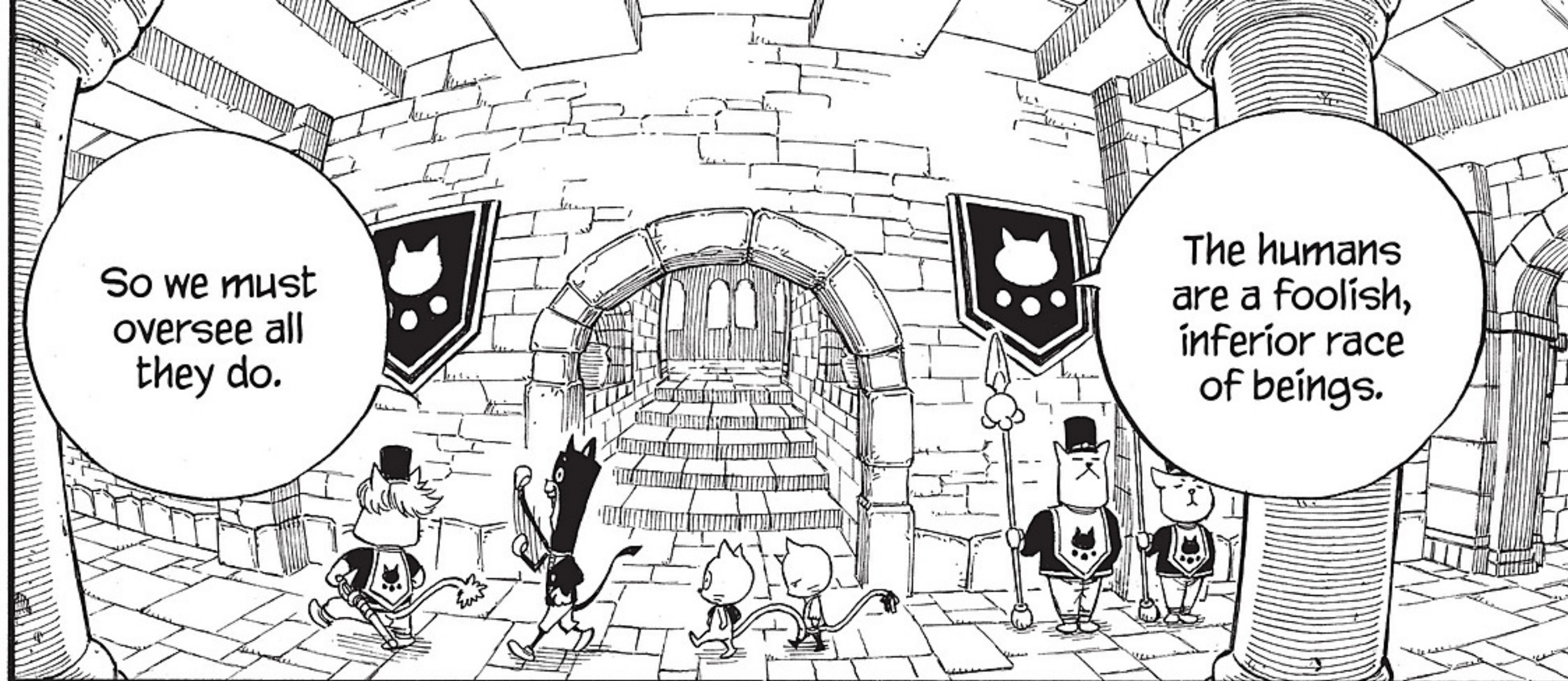




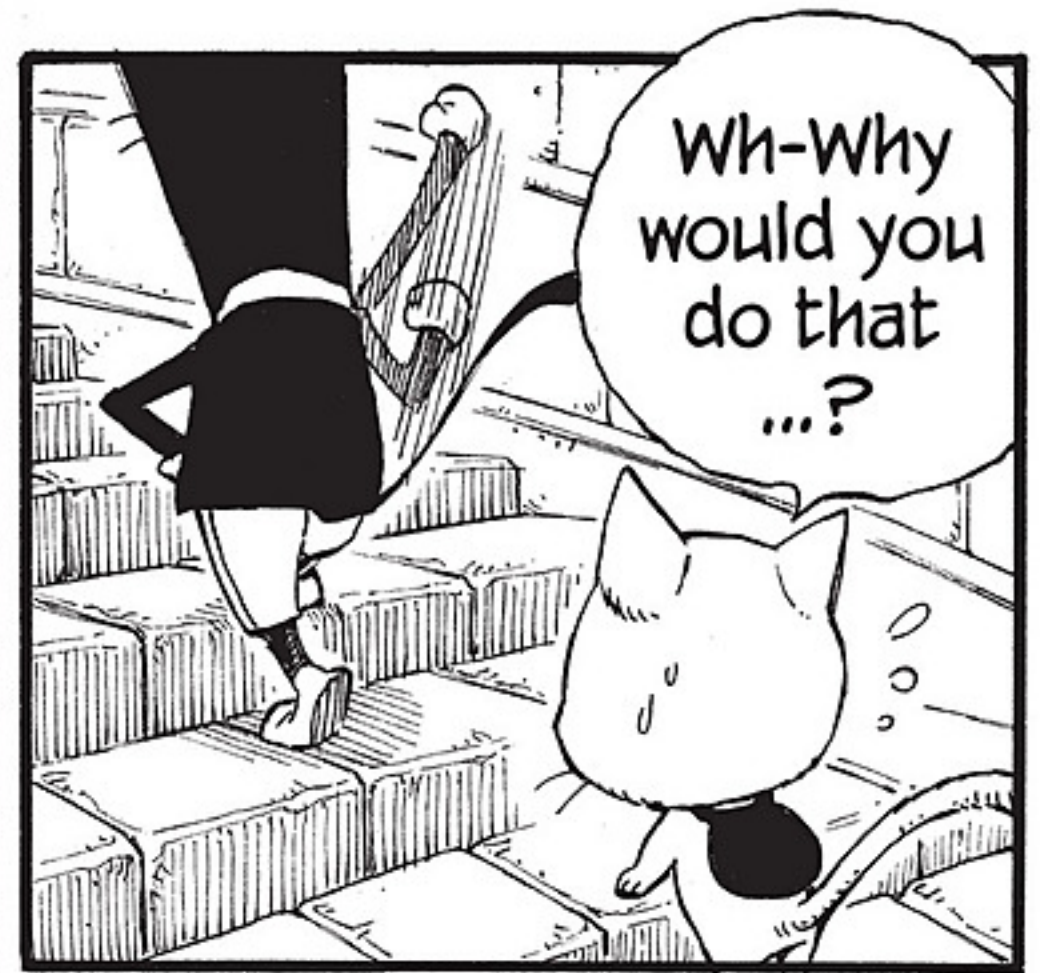
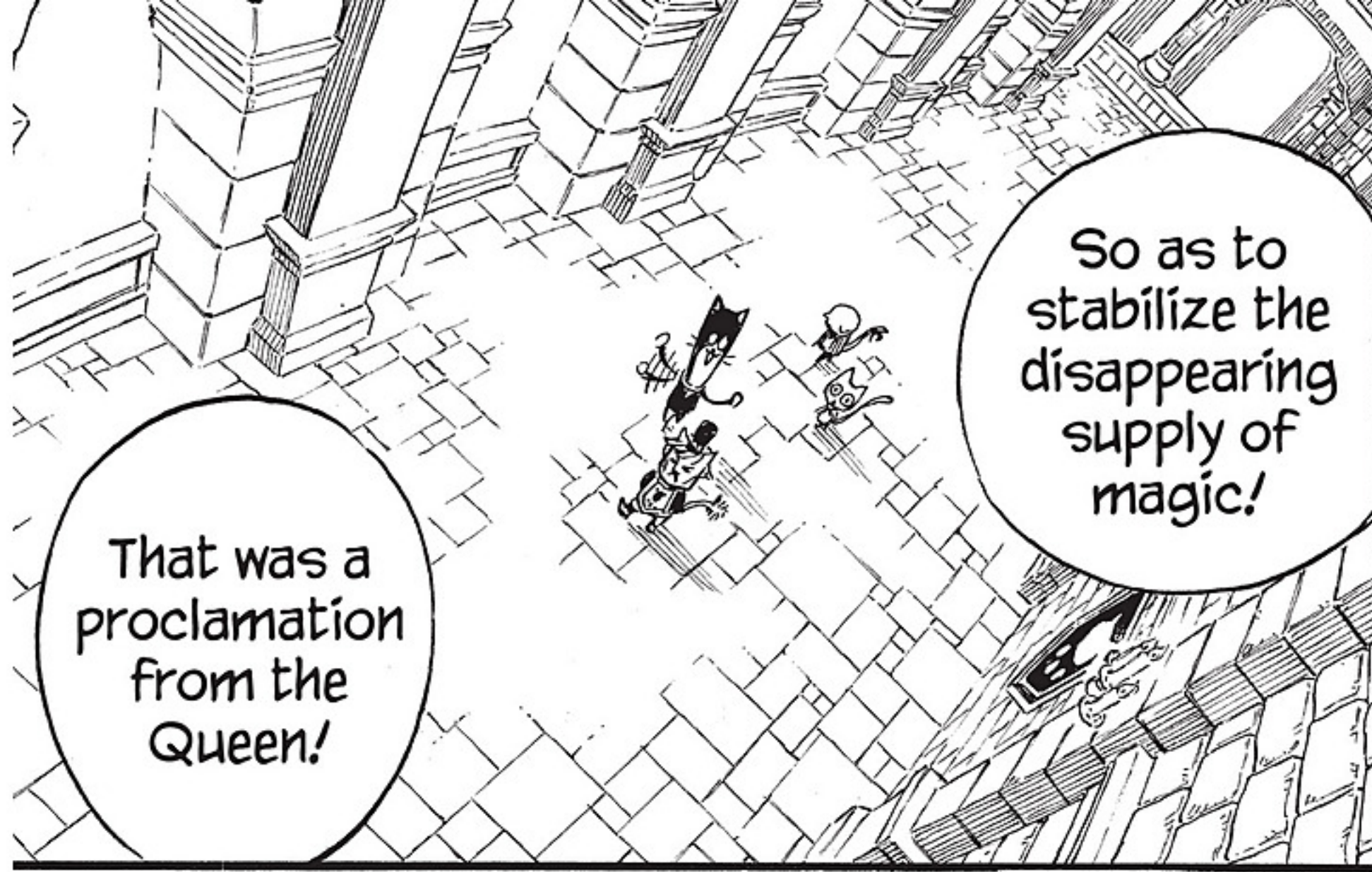




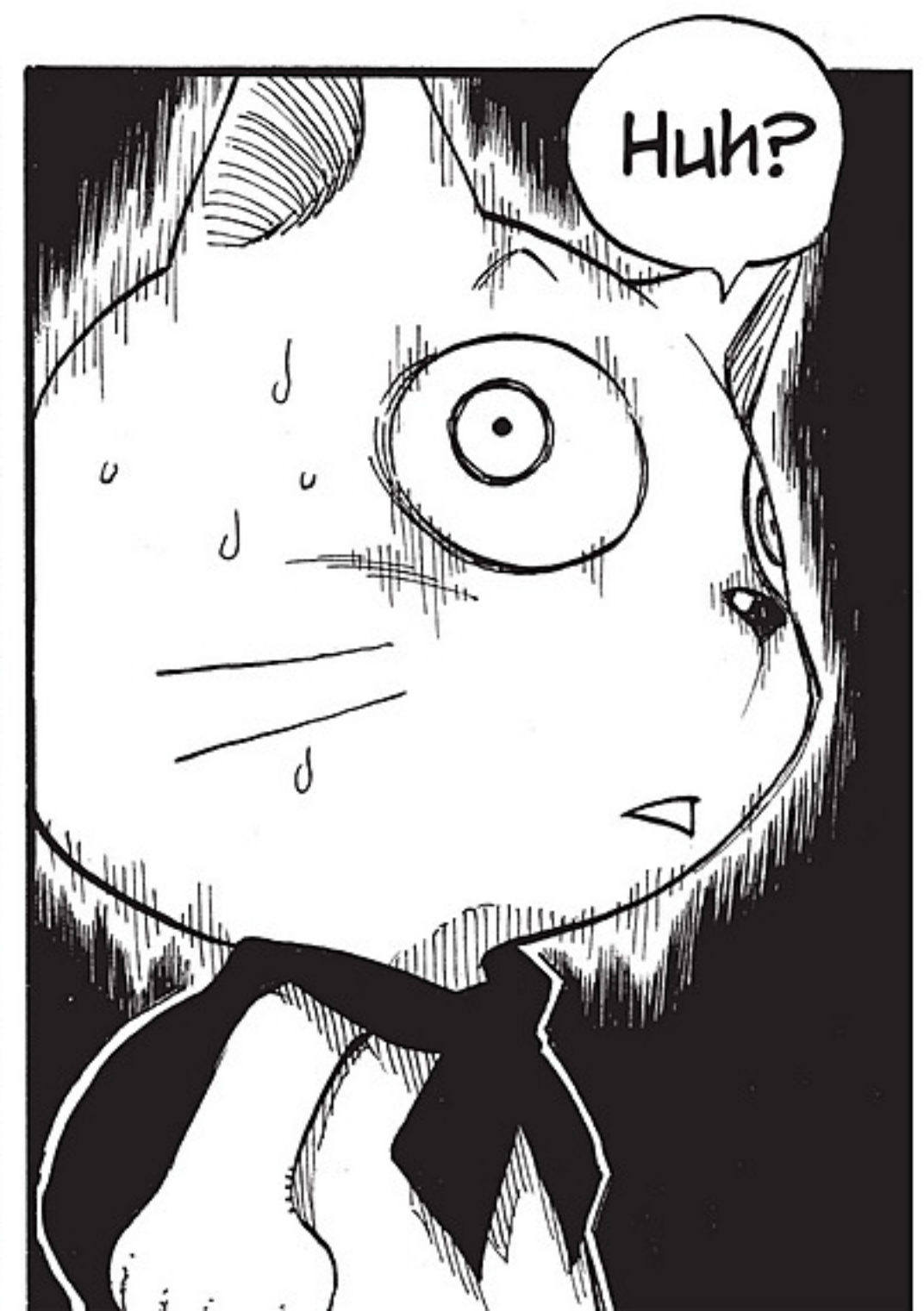
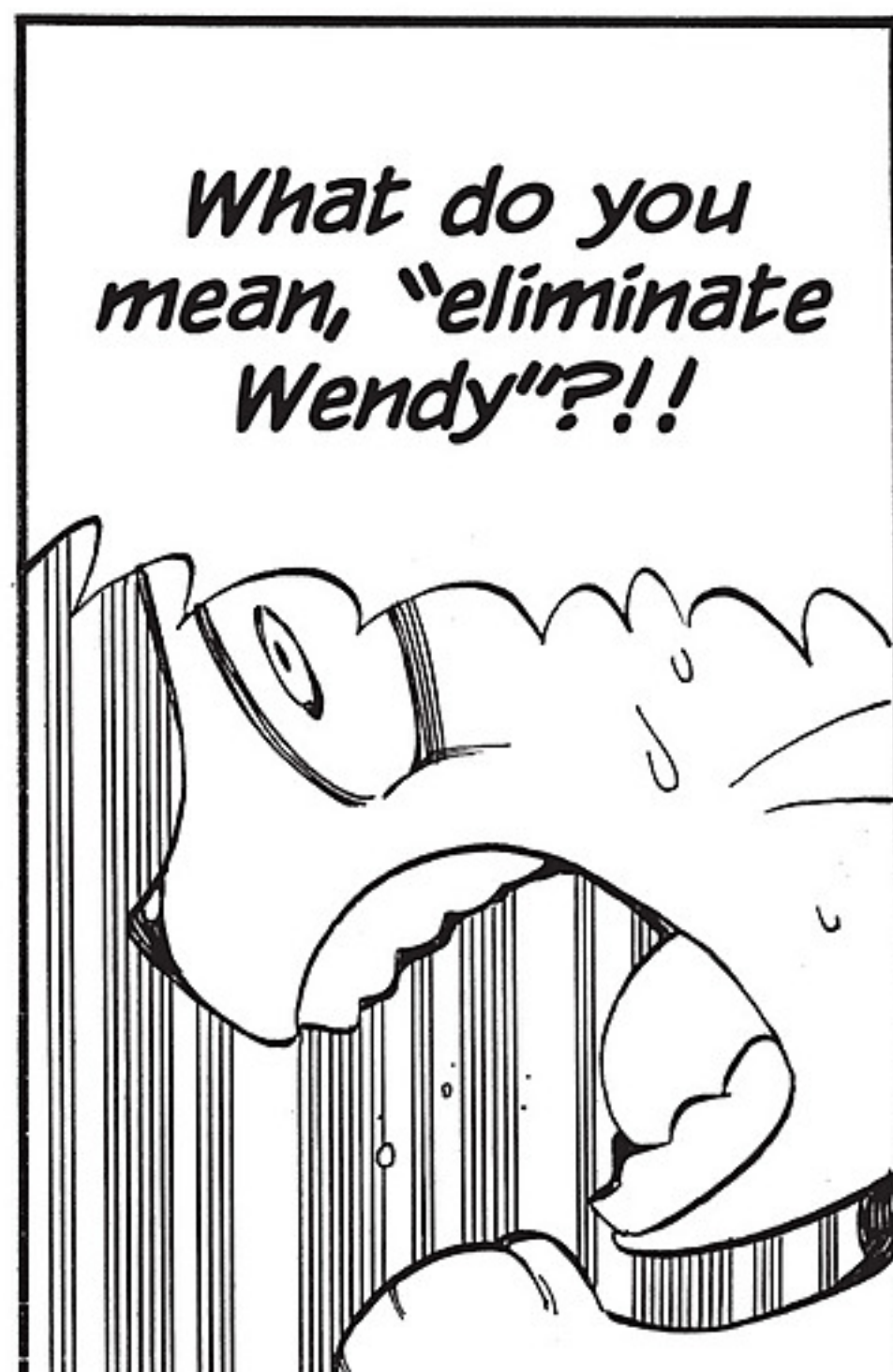
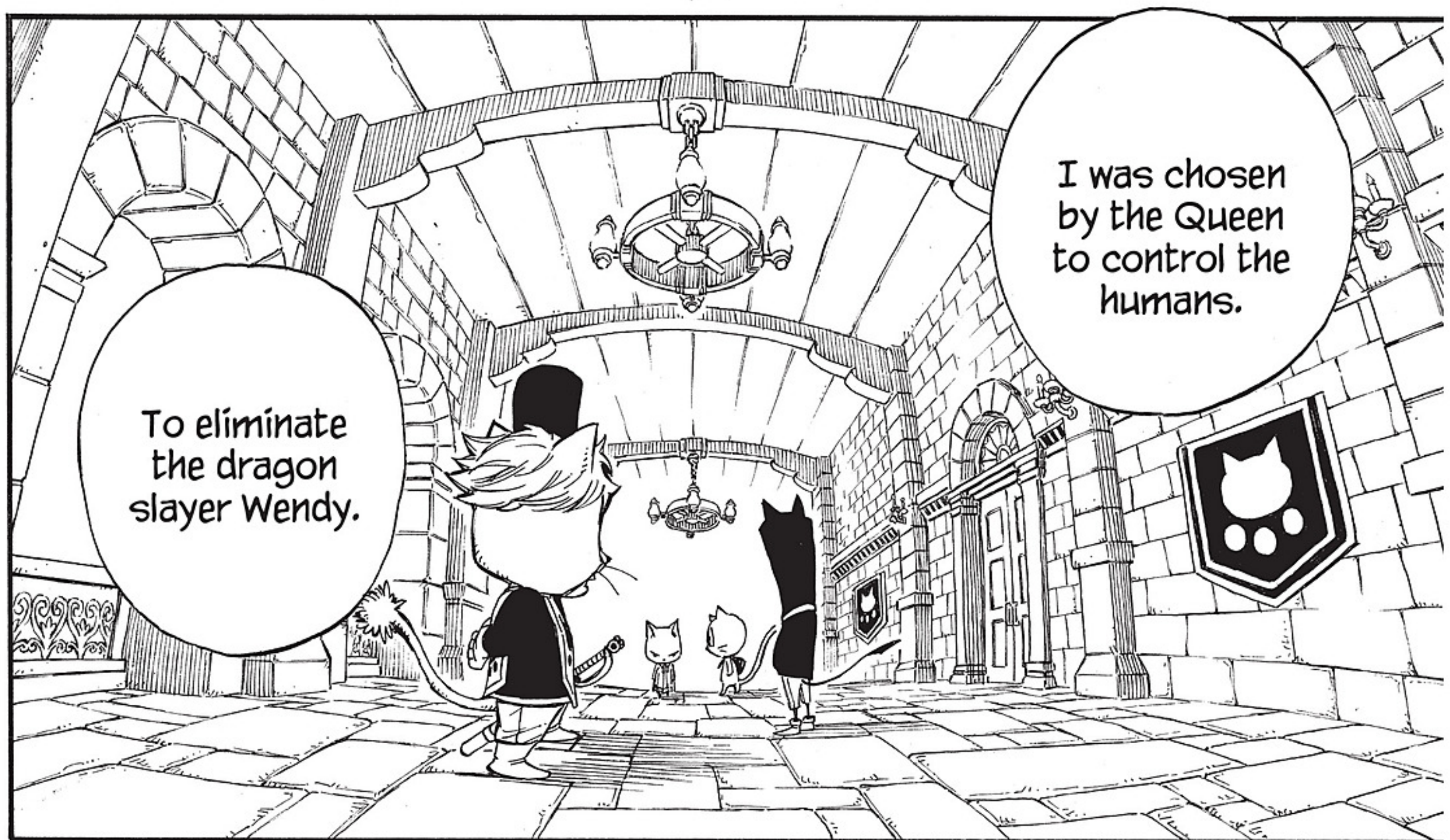
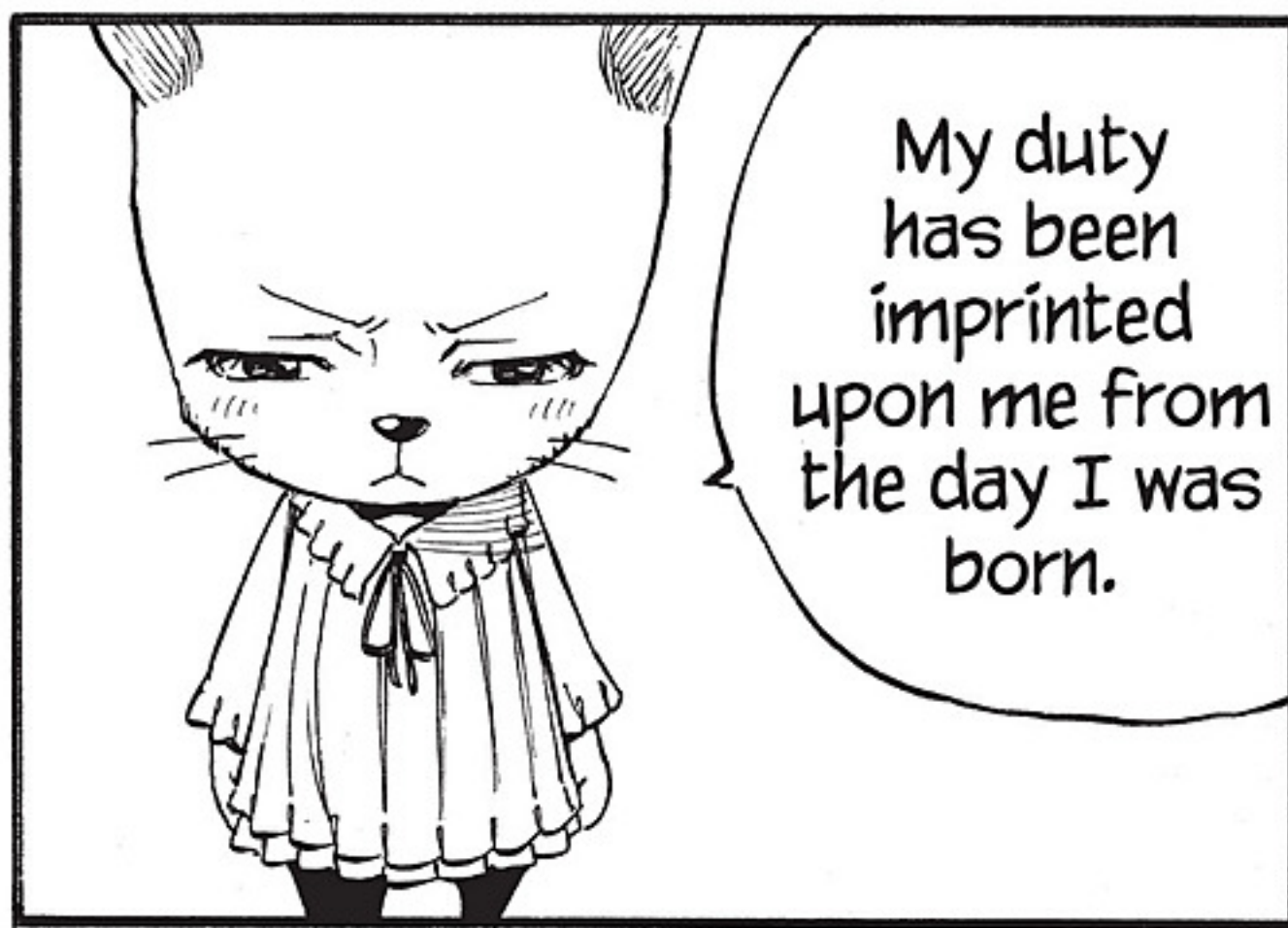




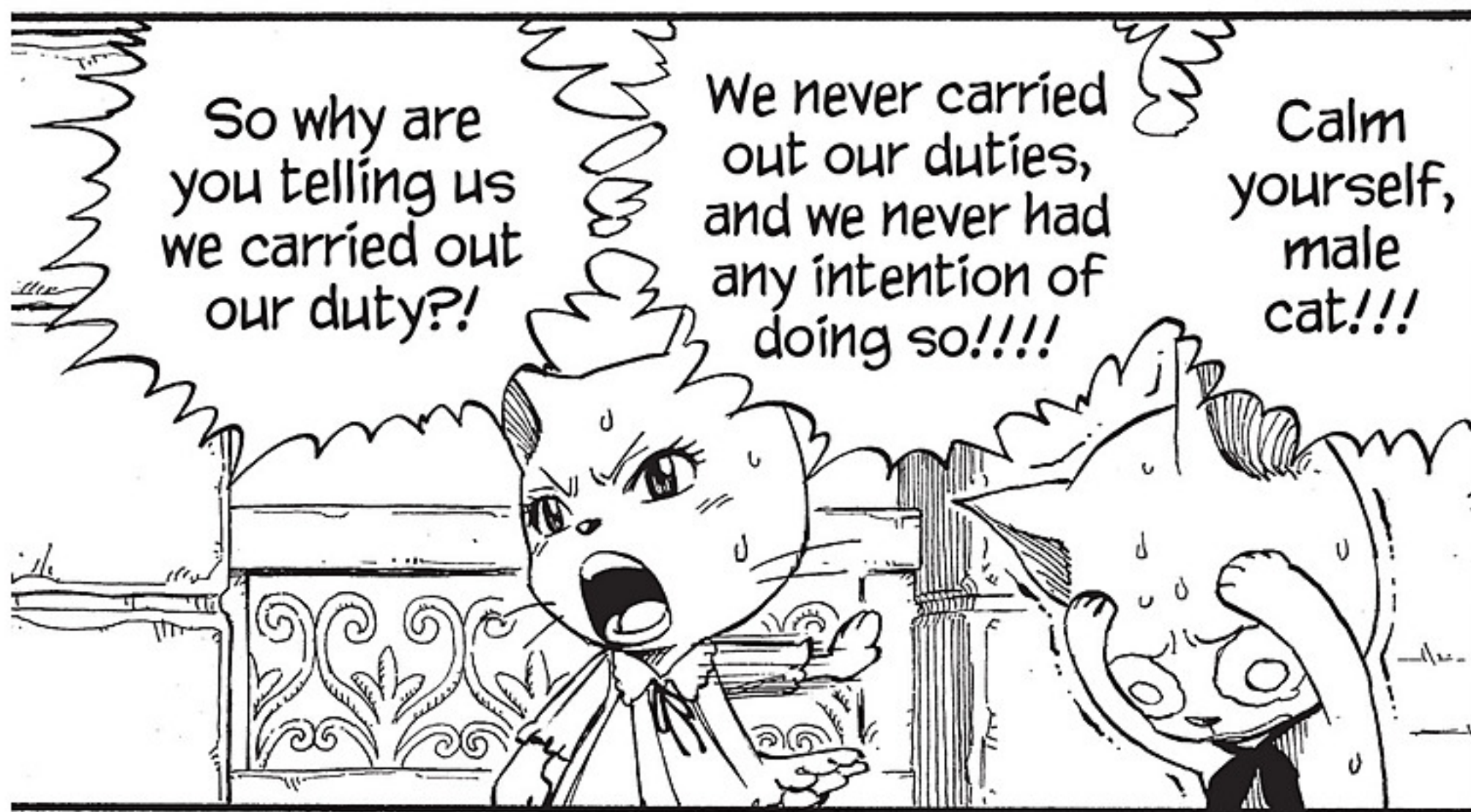
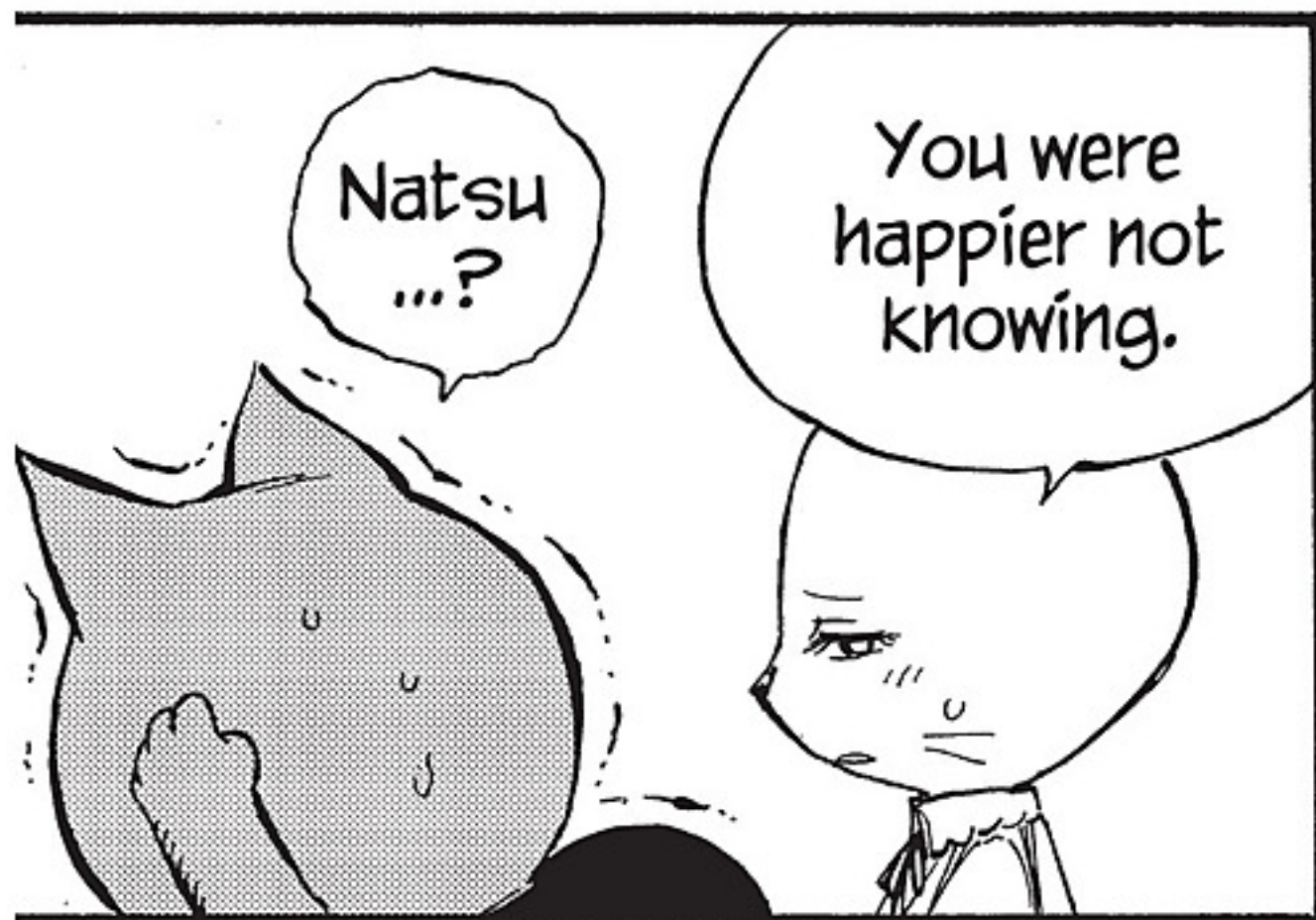






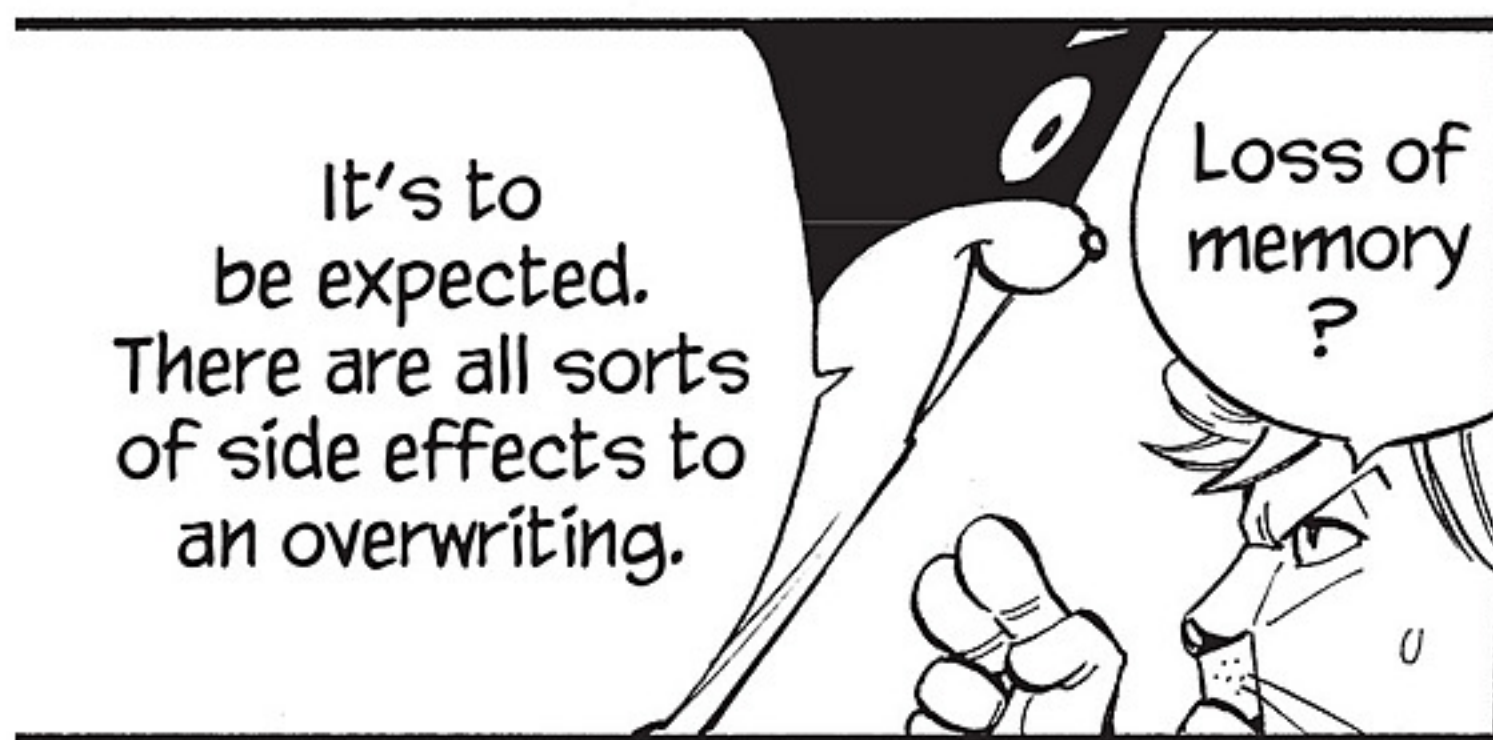






Calm yourself, male cat!!!

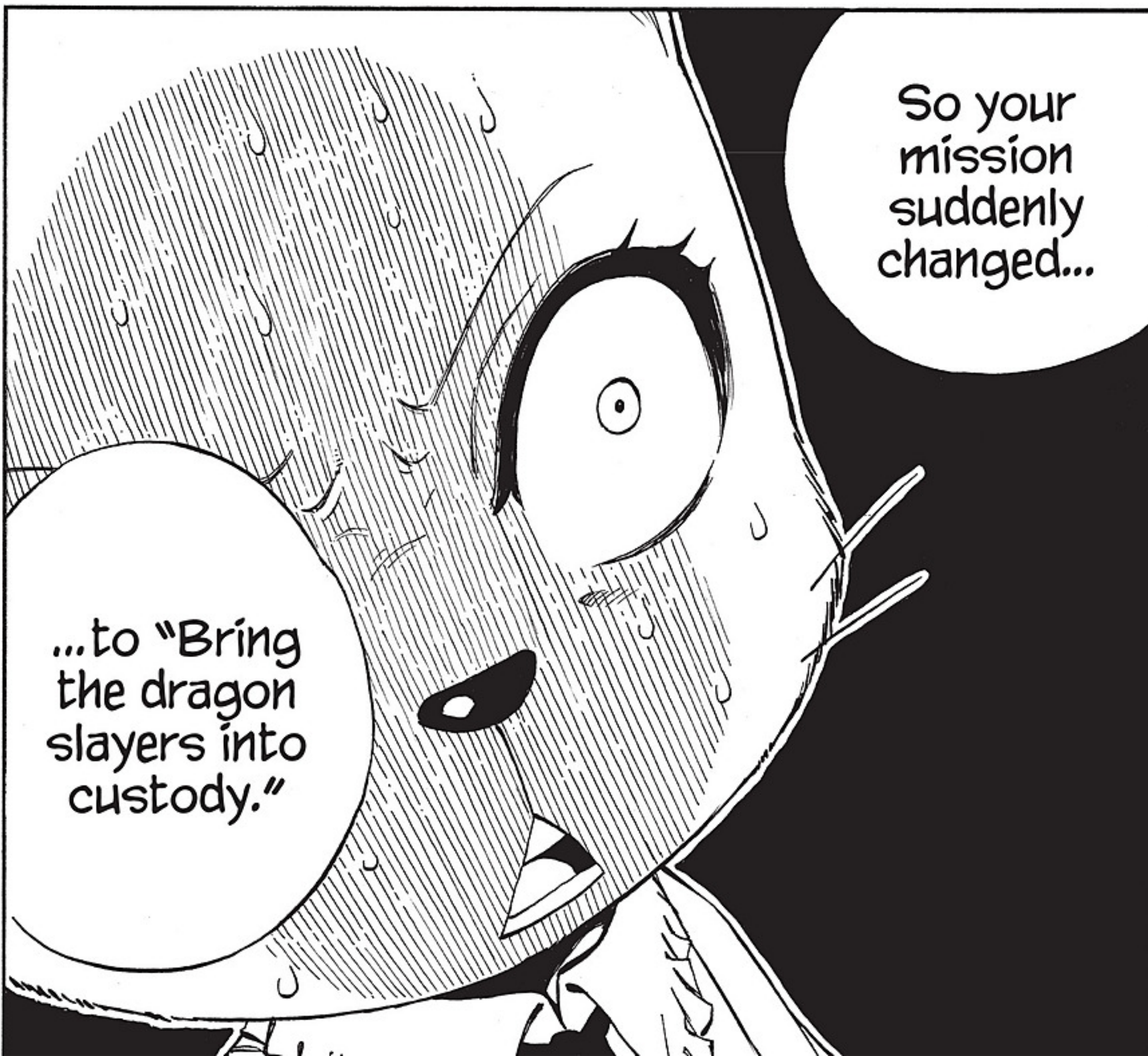
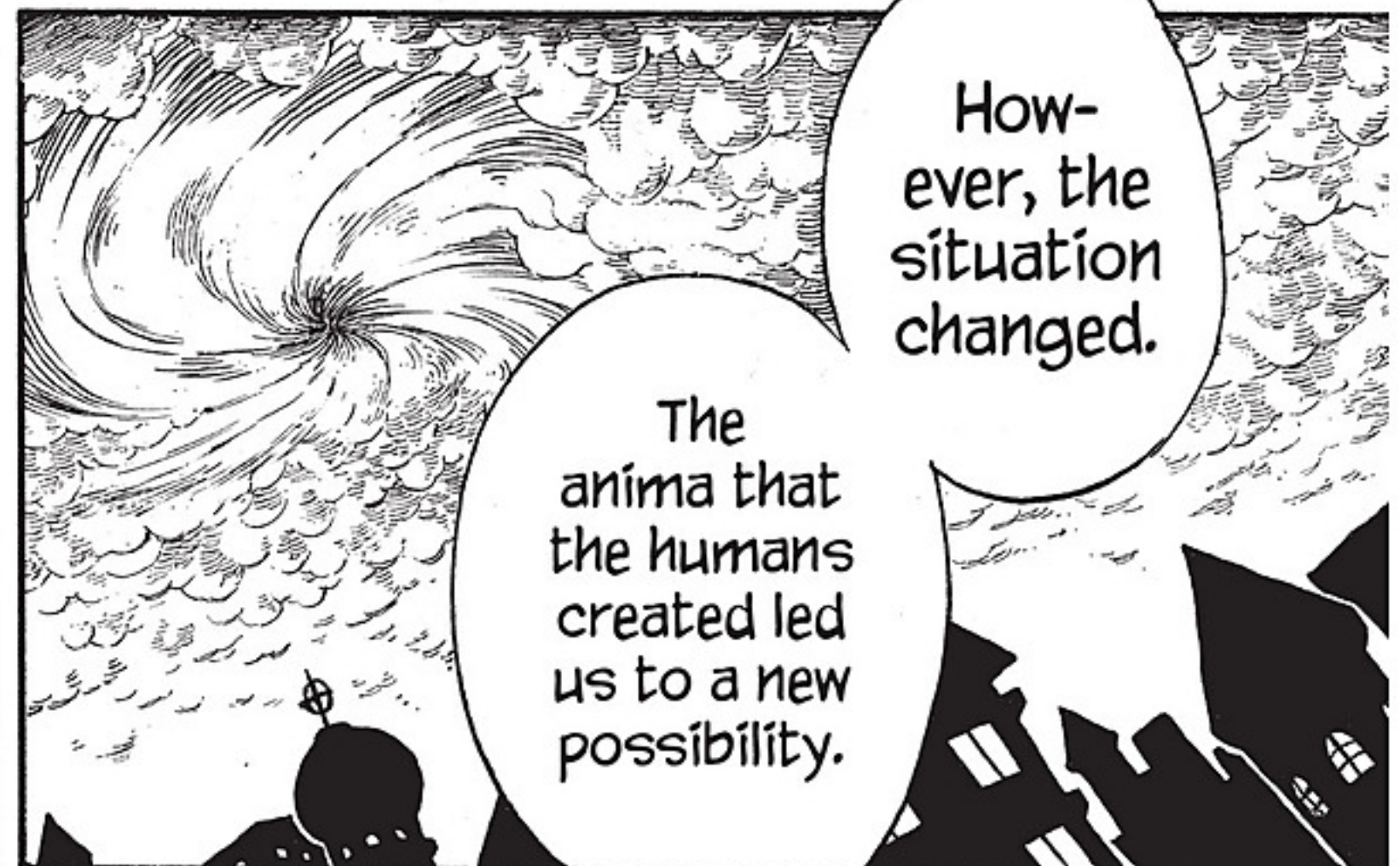
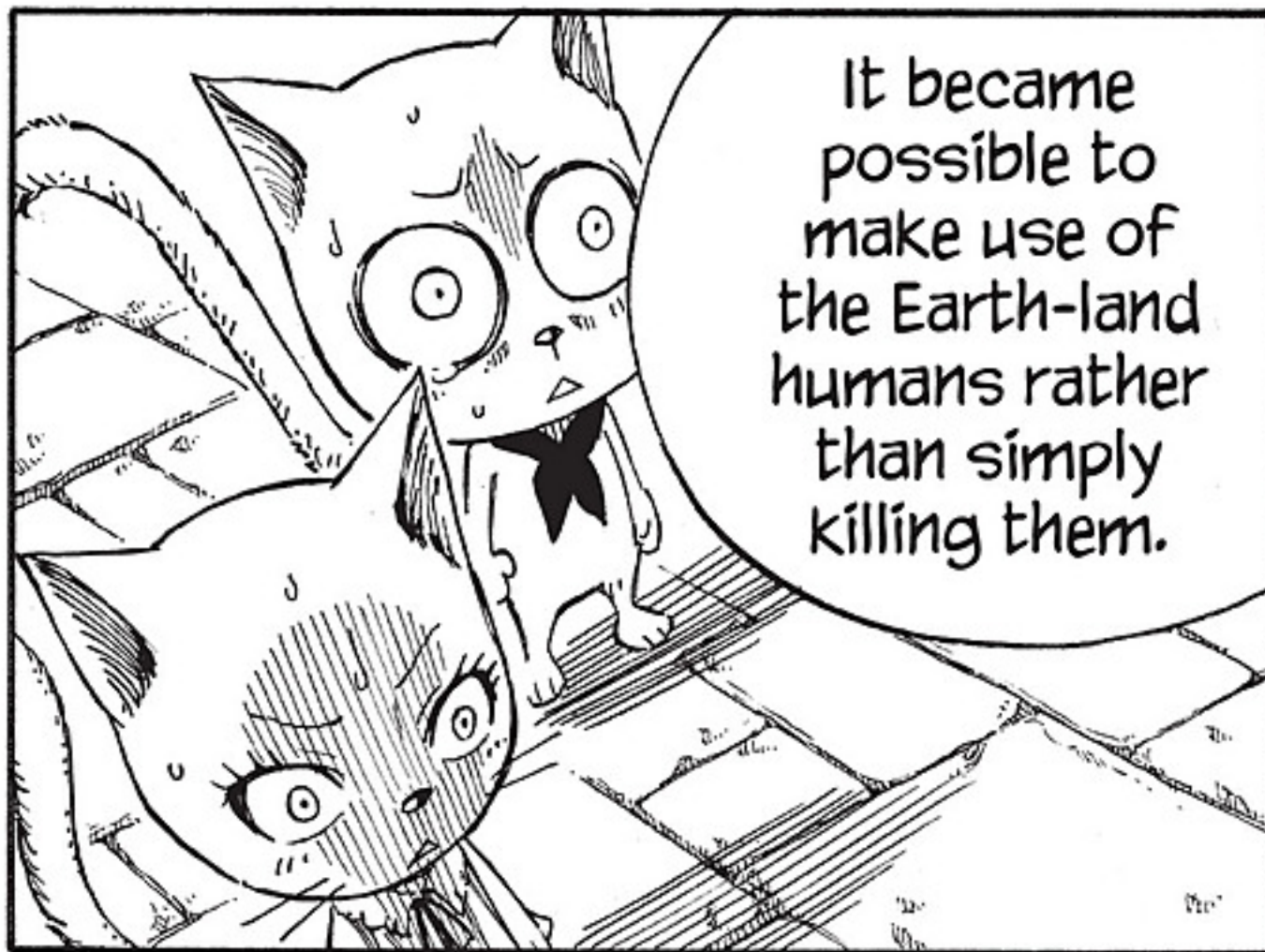
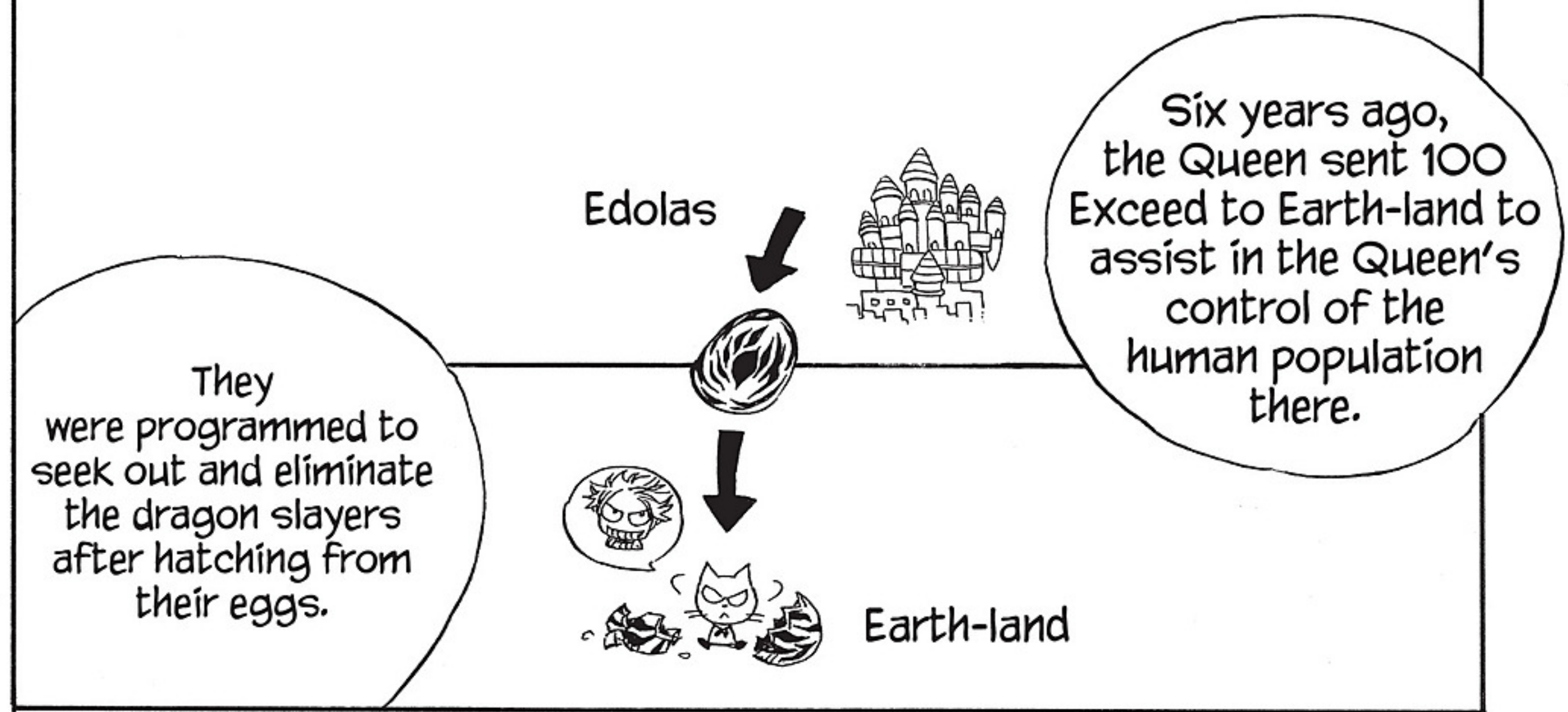
*It was my duty to murder Natsu... ?!!!*



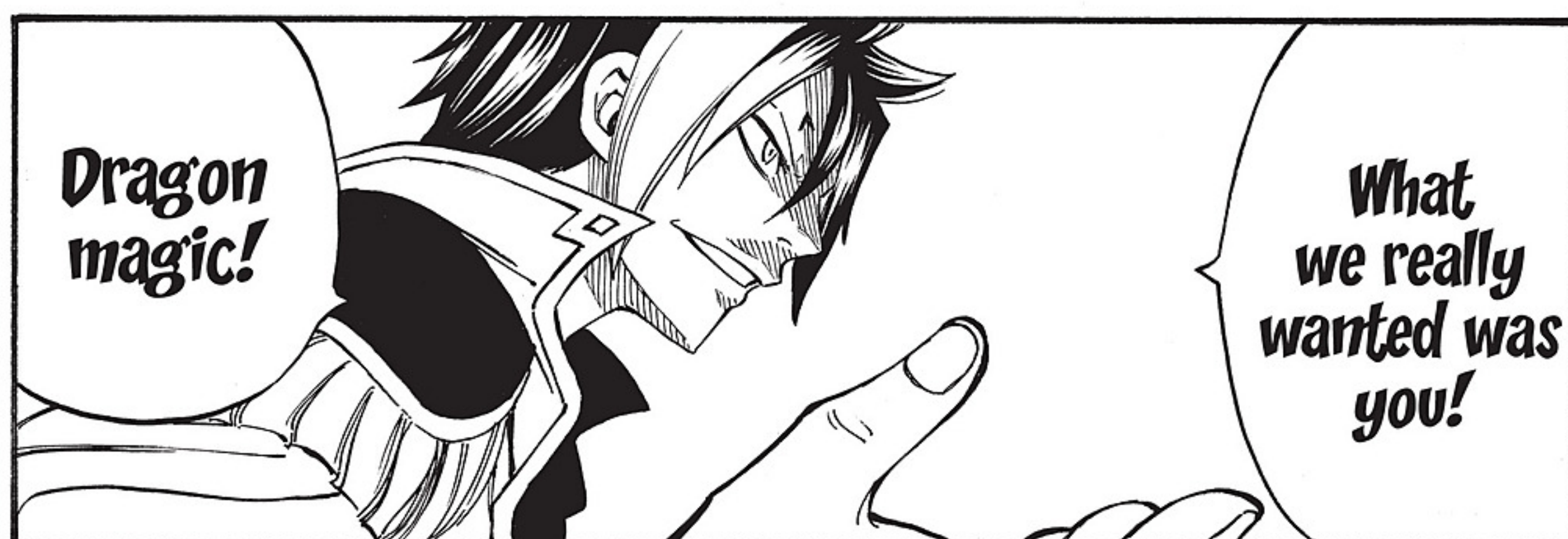
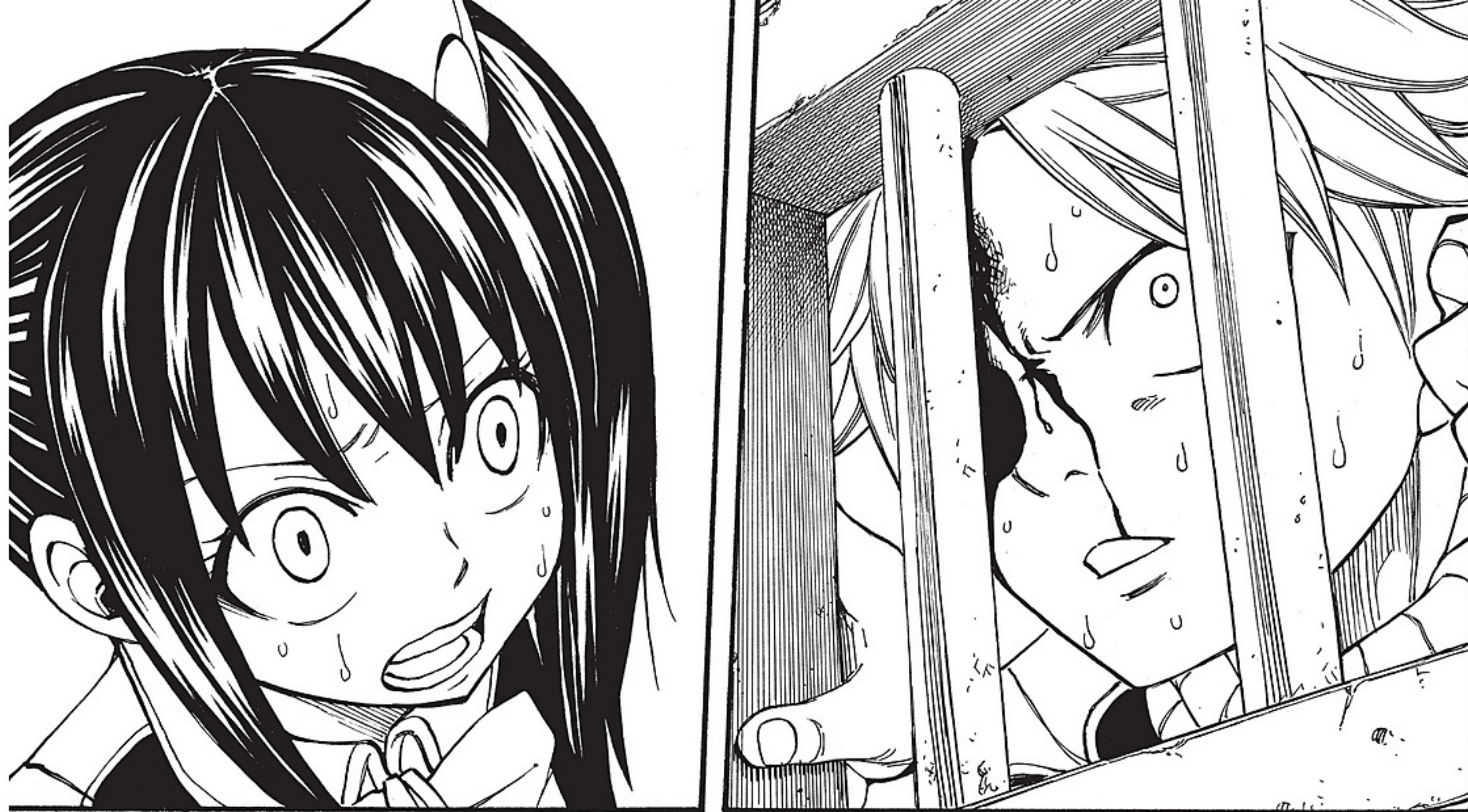
Loss of memory?



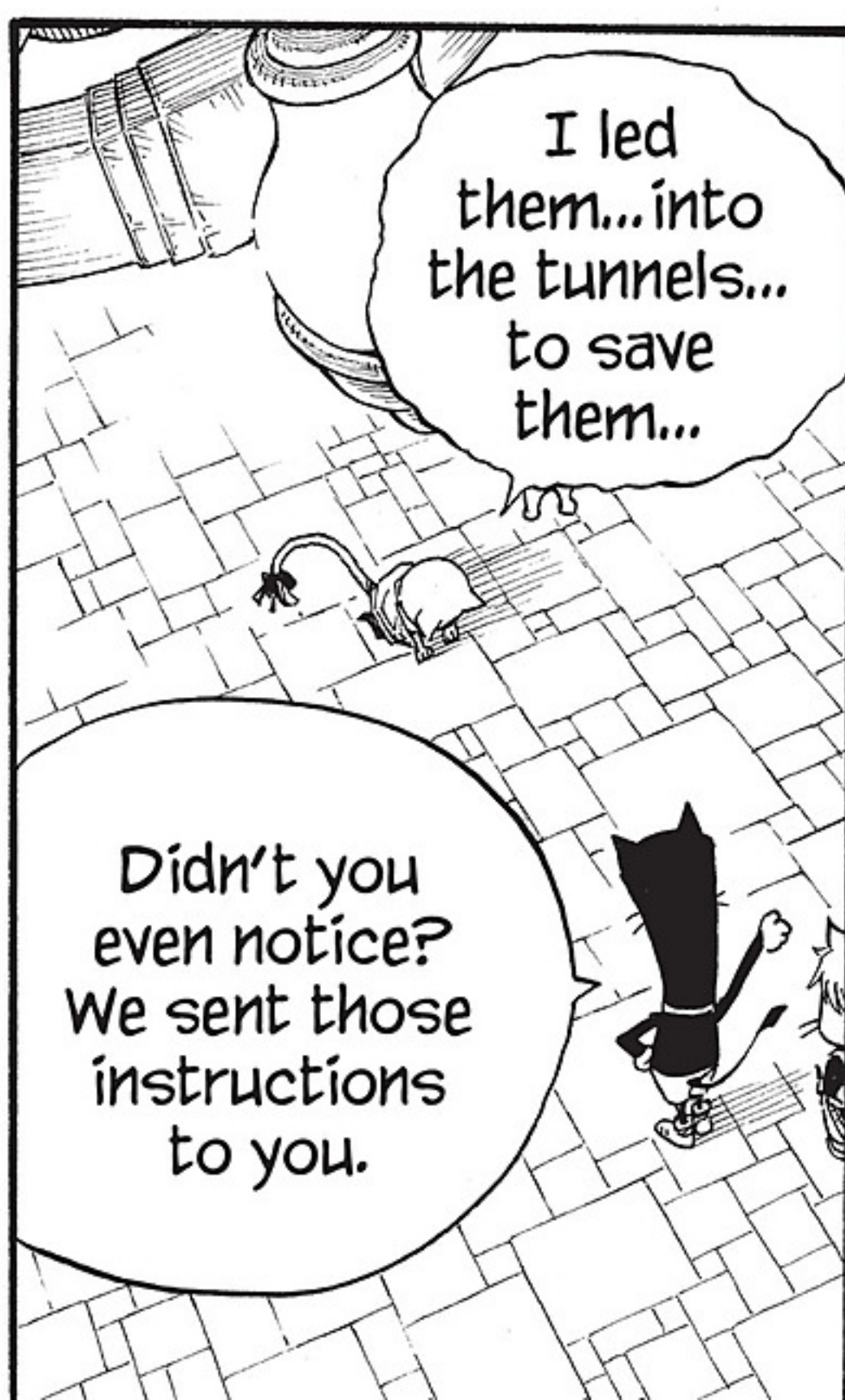
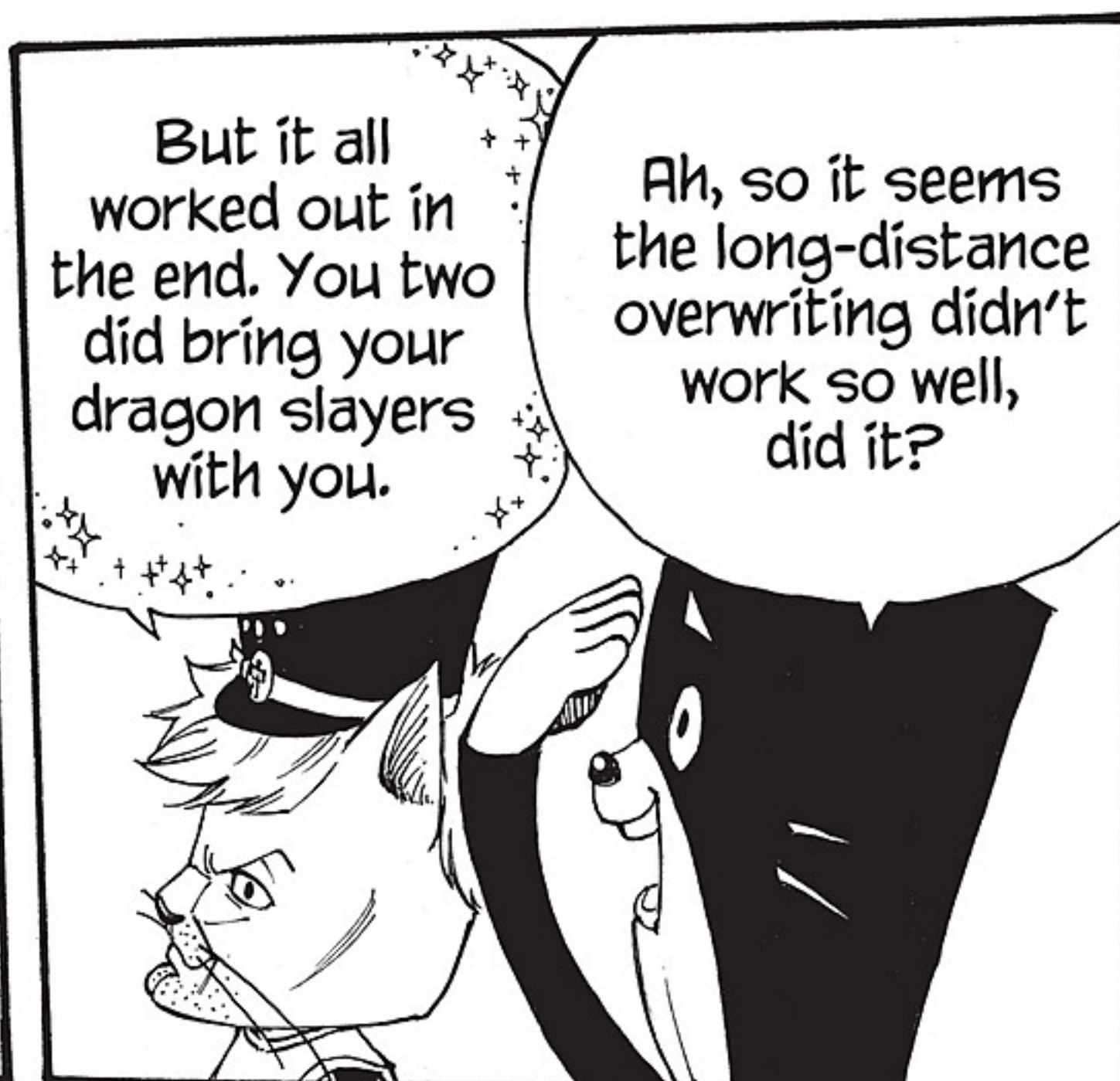
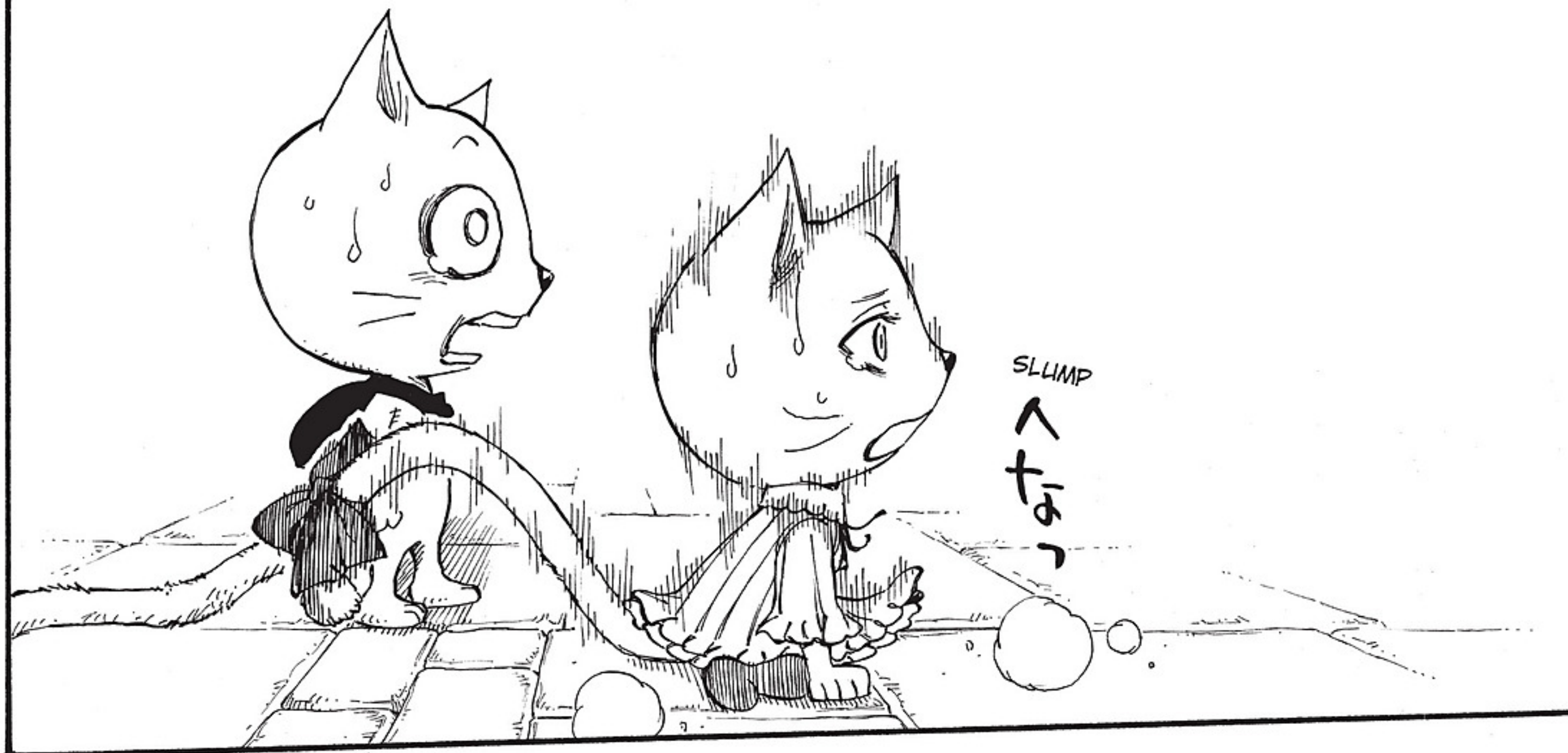




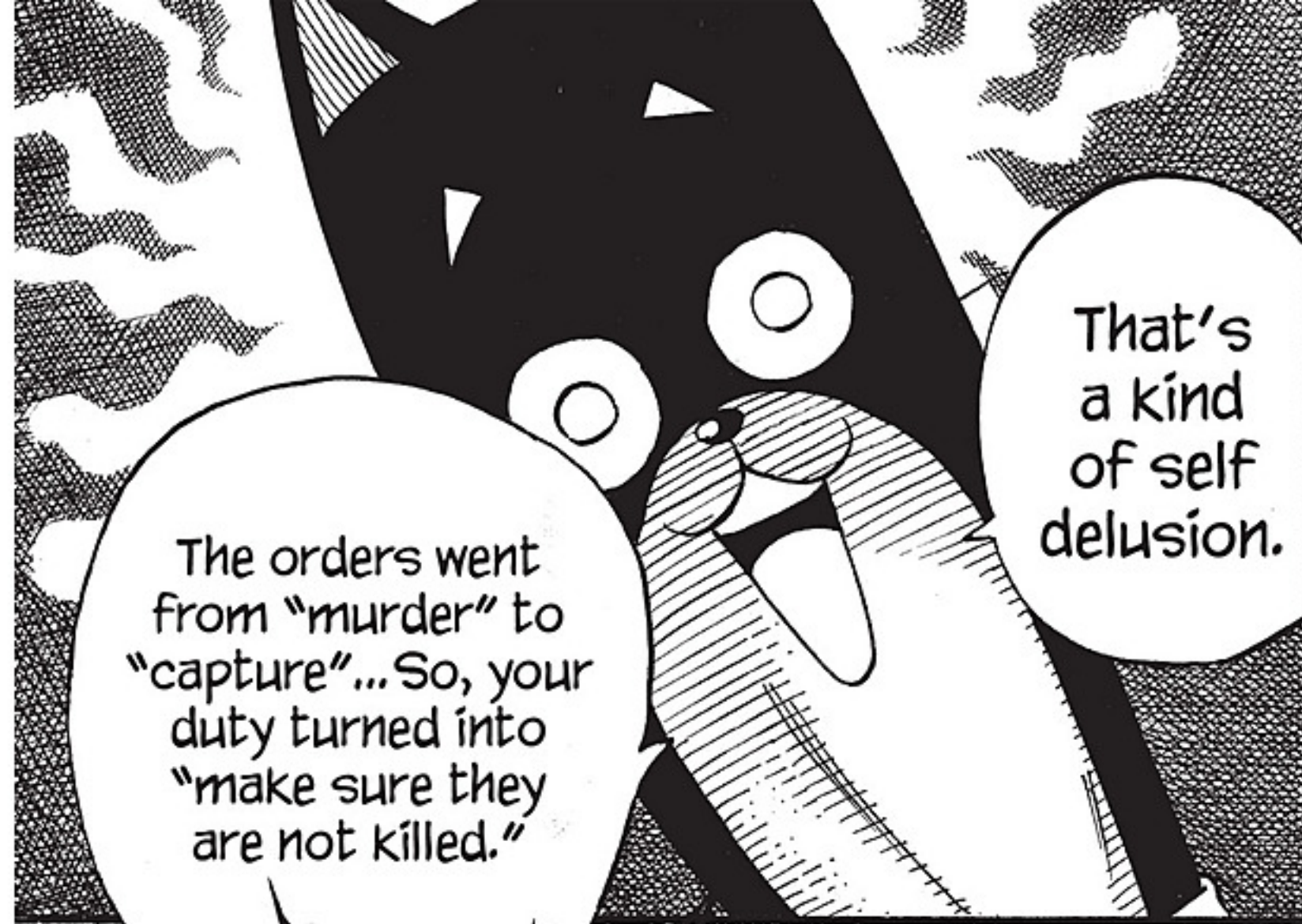




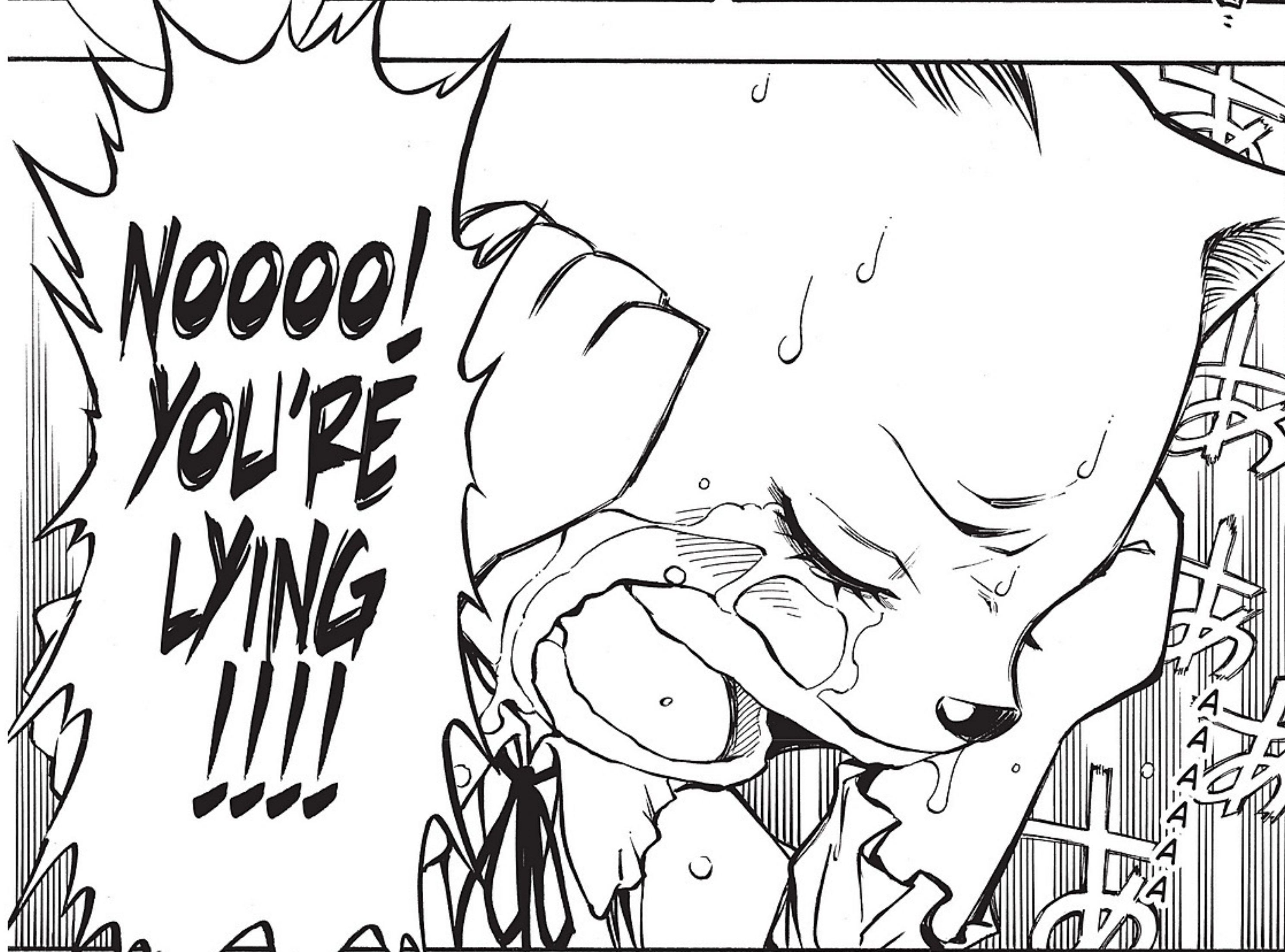
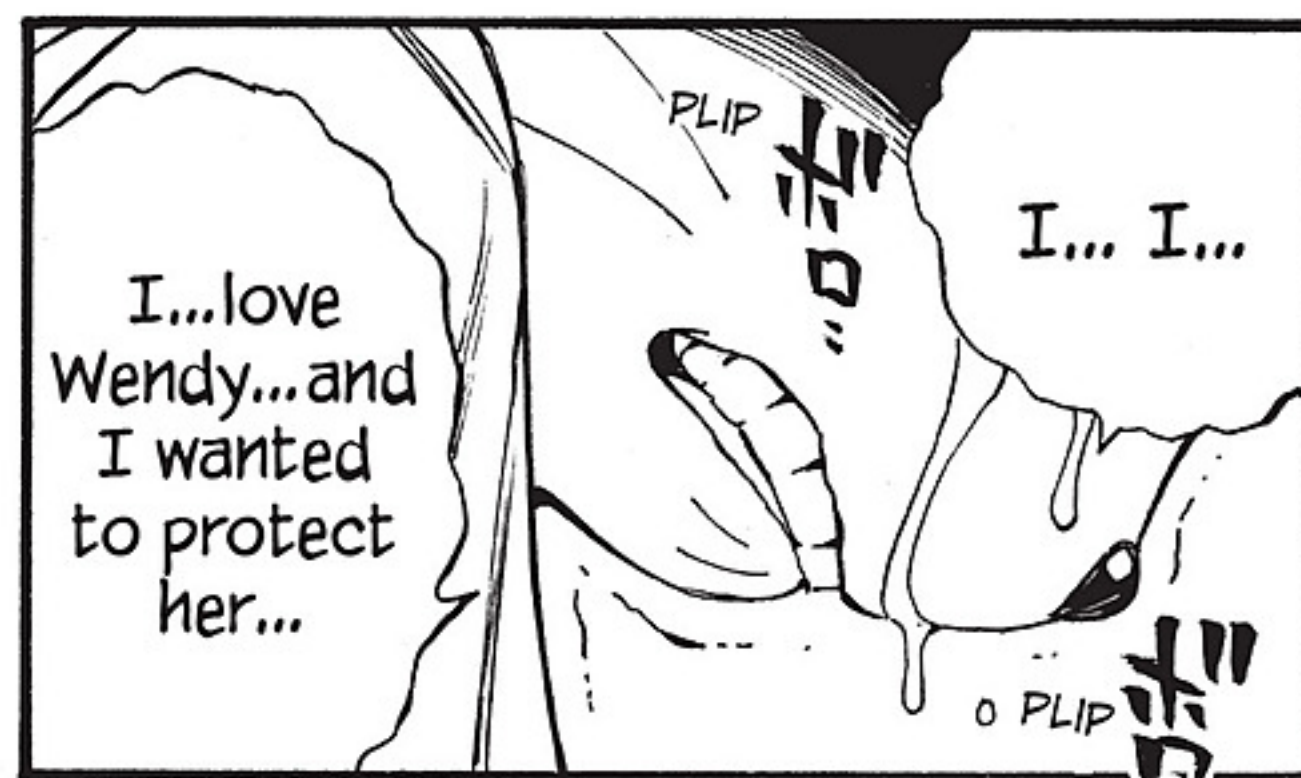




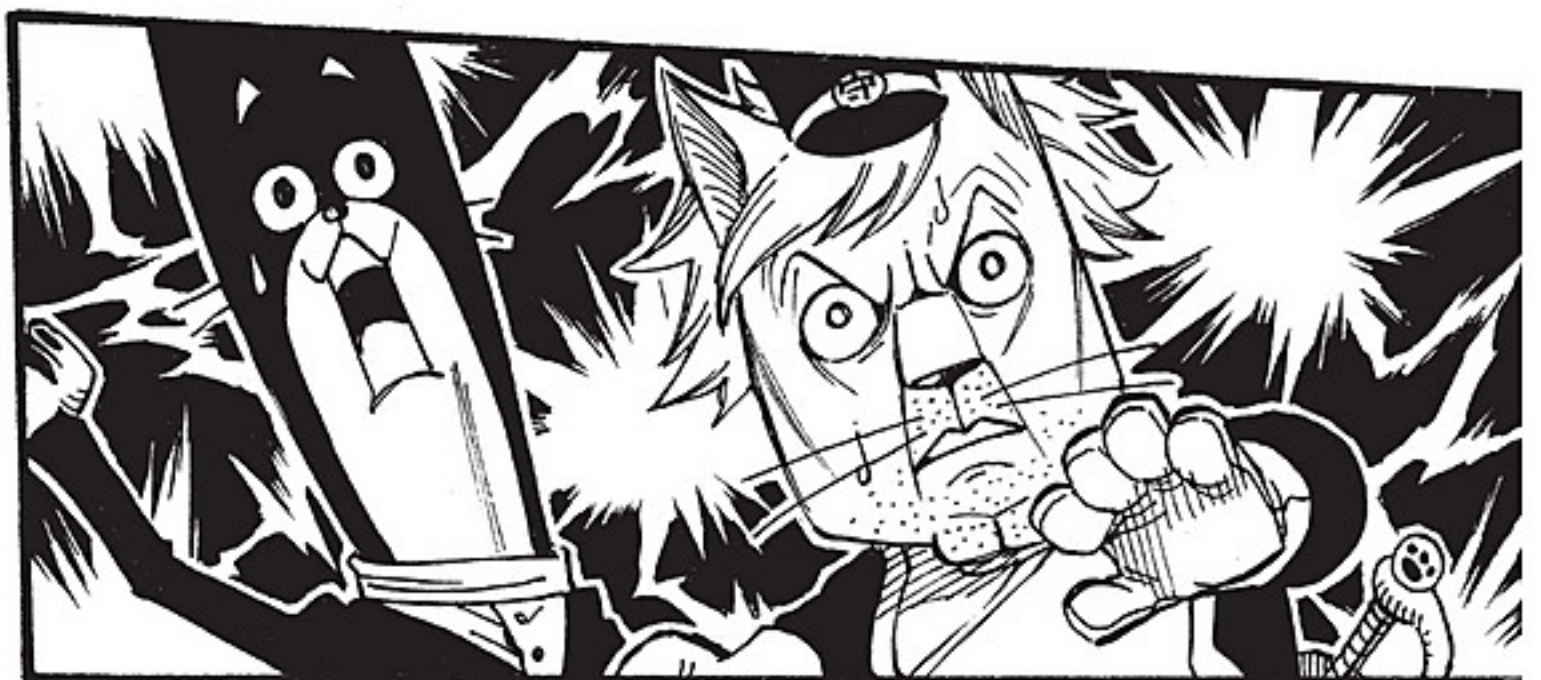




That's a kind of self delusion.









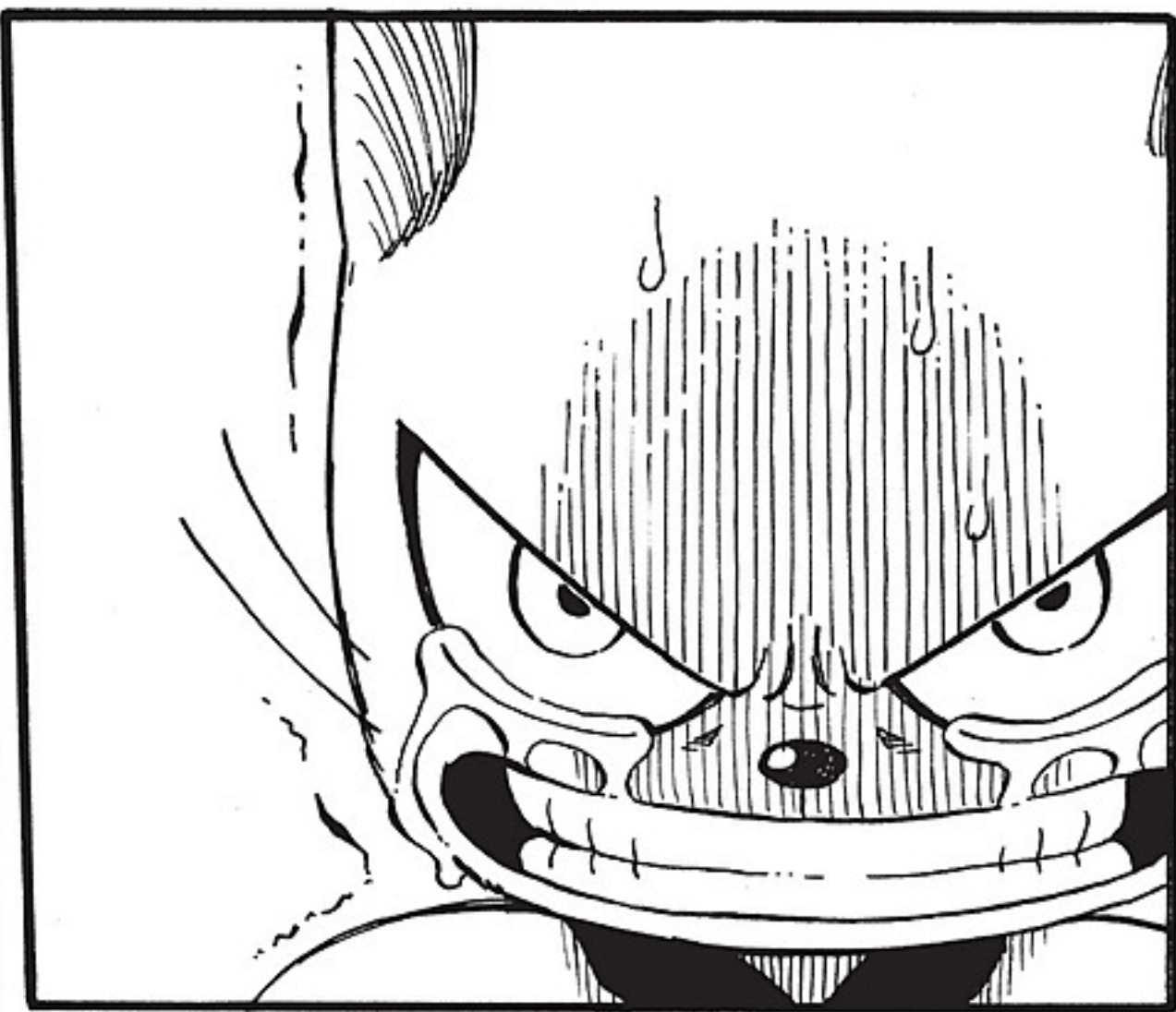
# FAIRY TAIL

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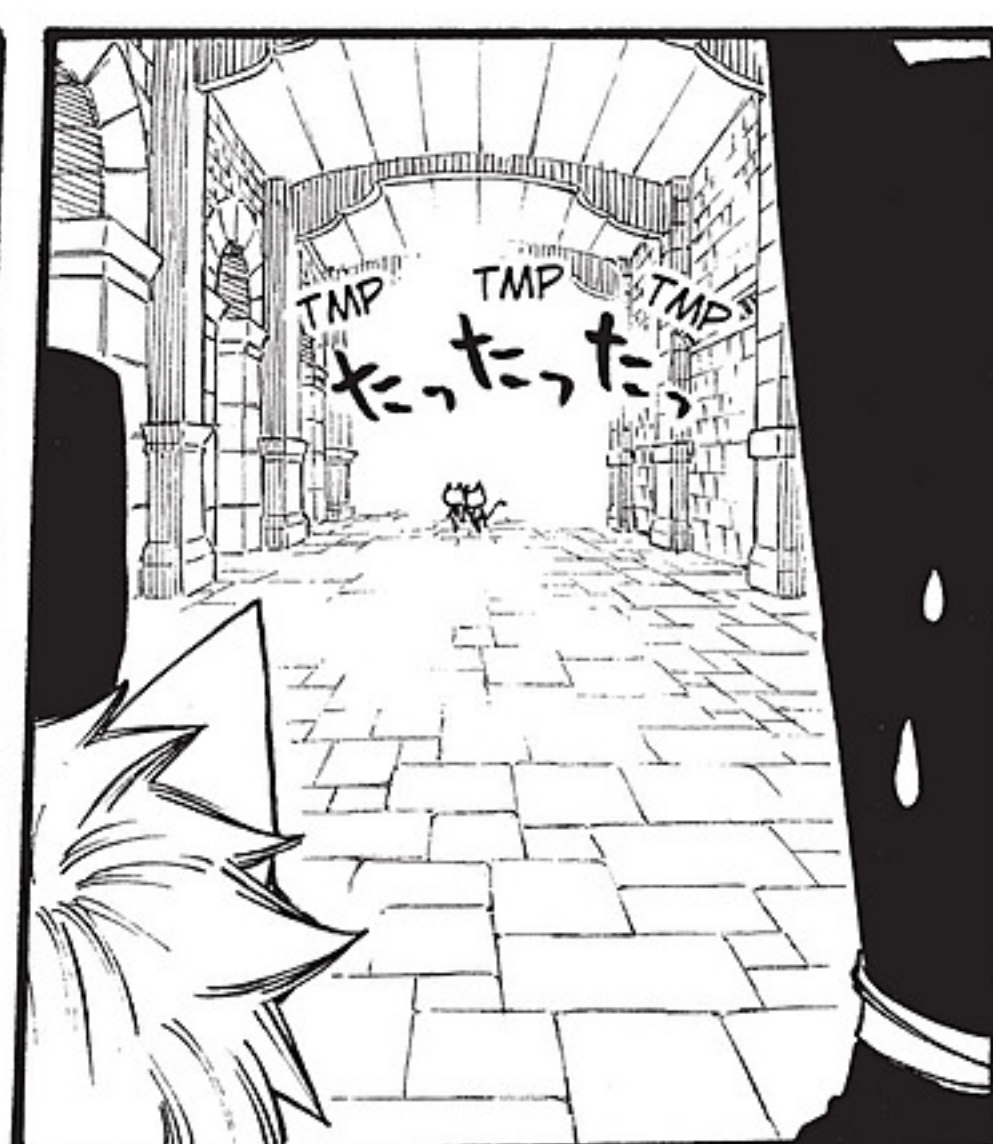
## Chapter 177: Fly to Your Friends!



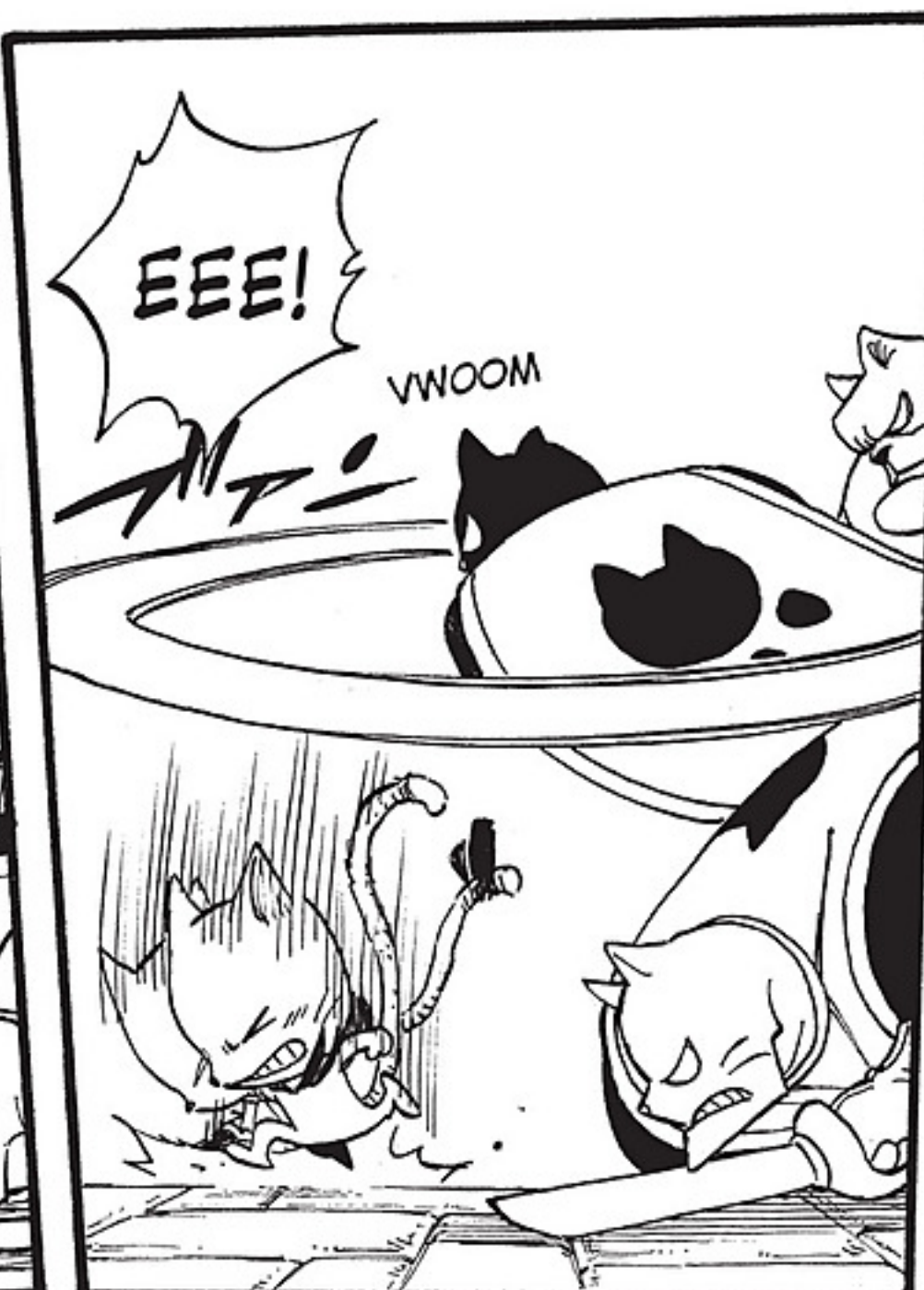
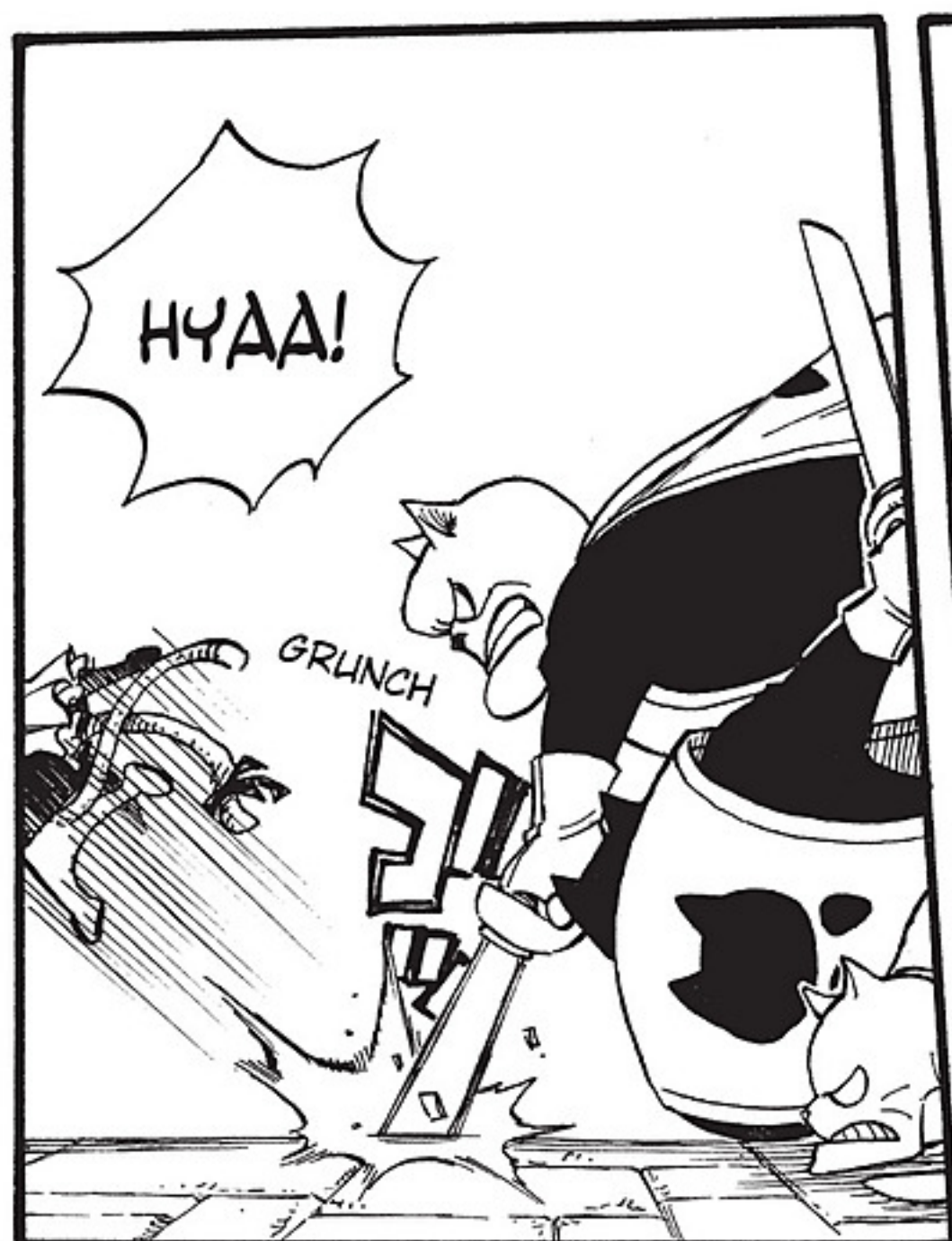
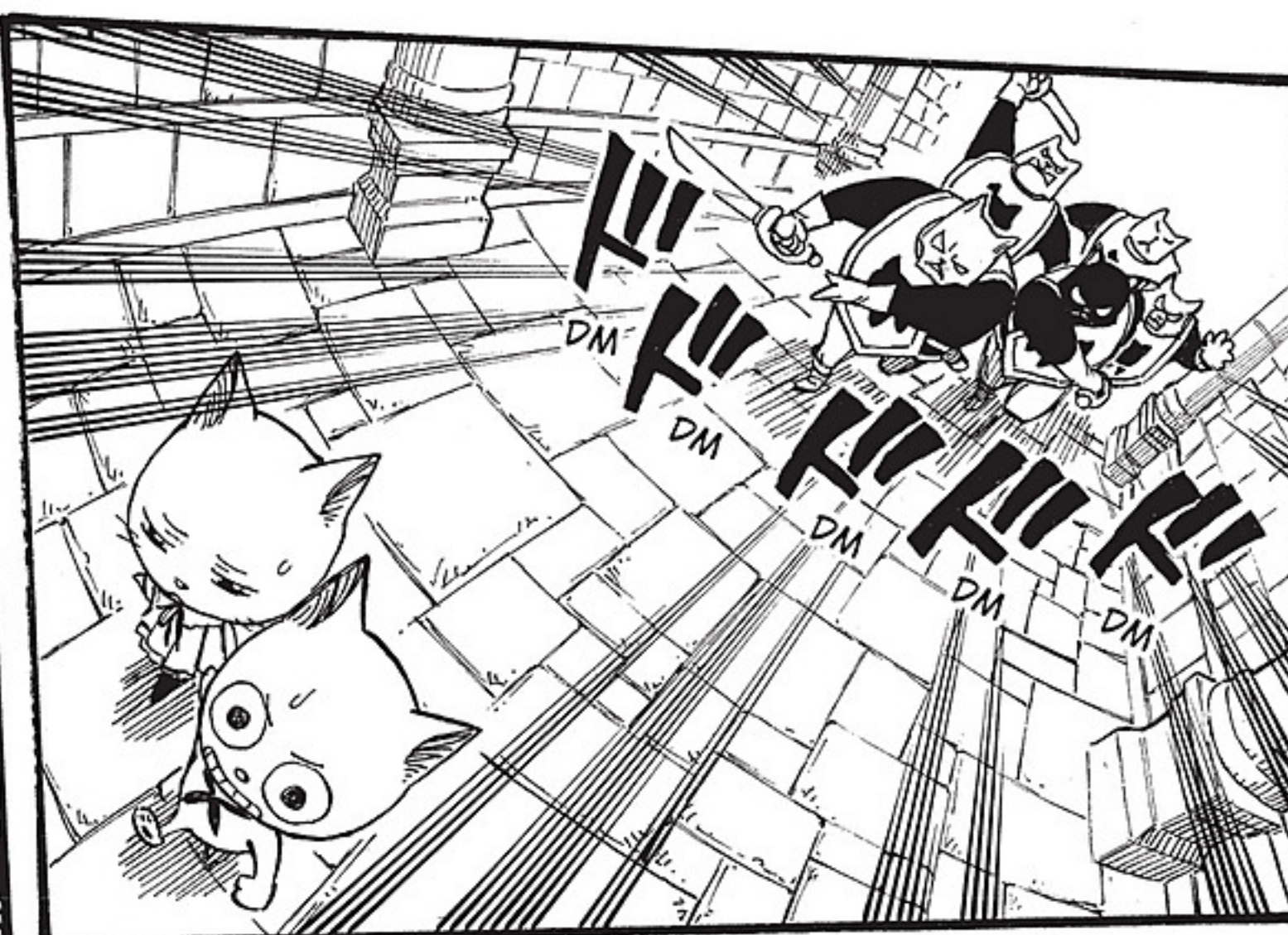
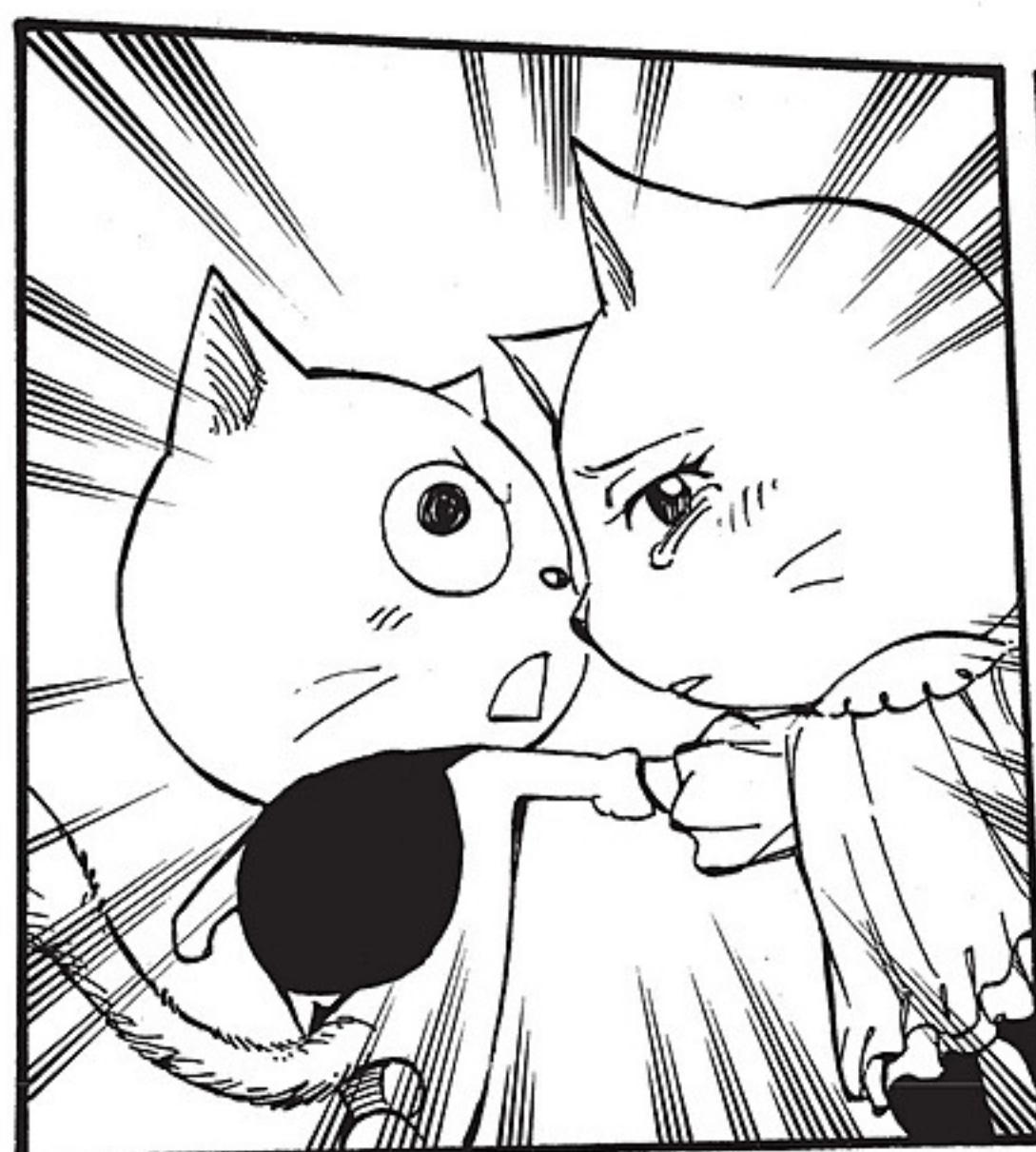
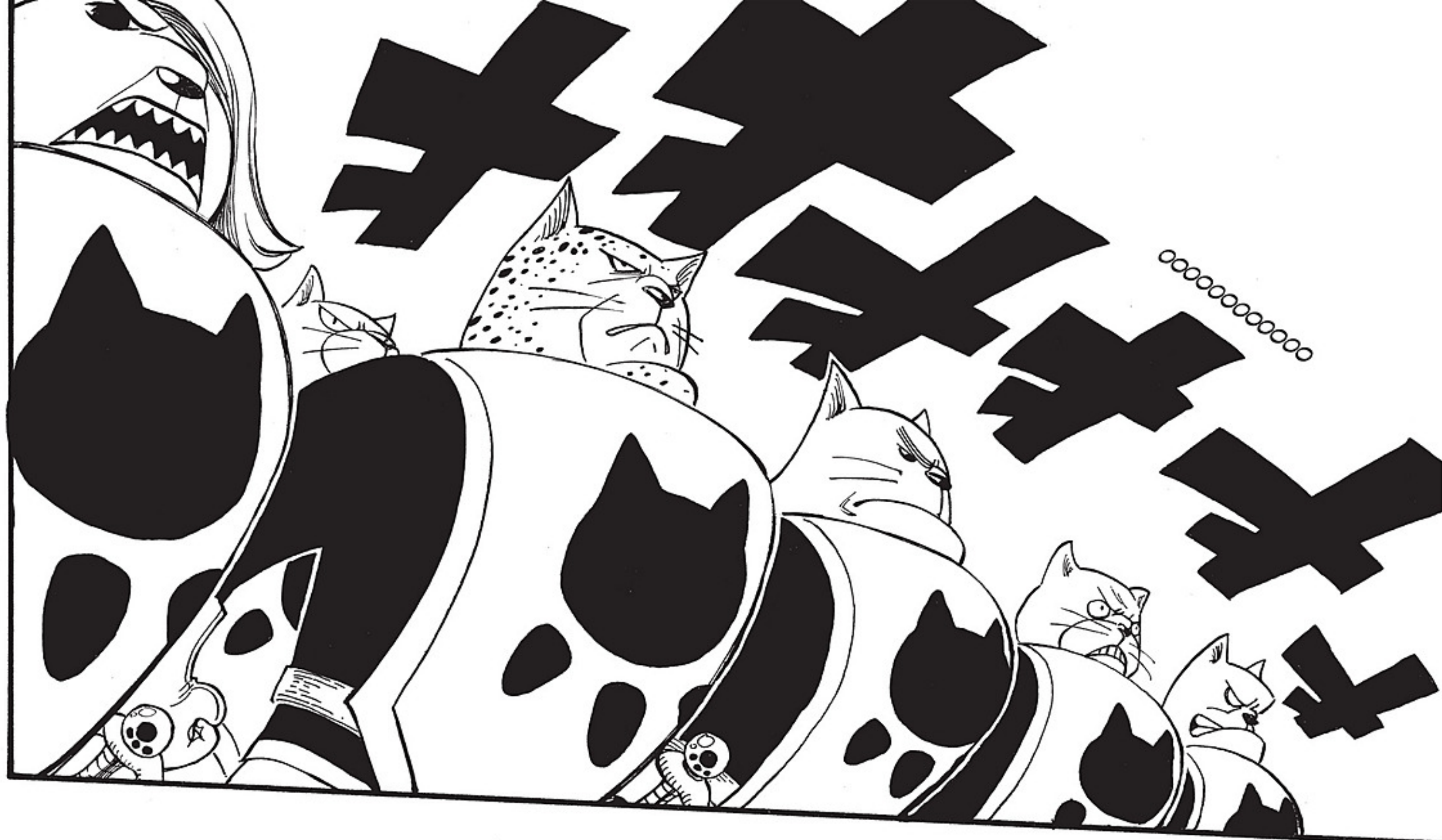




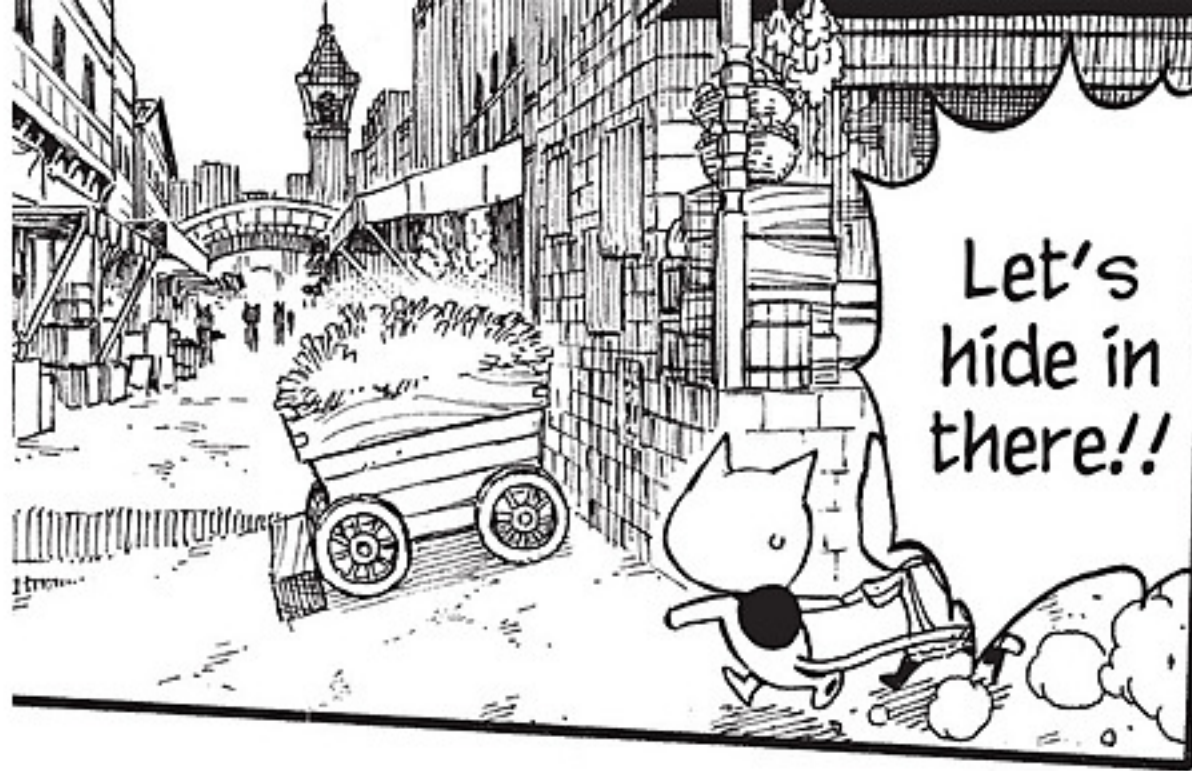








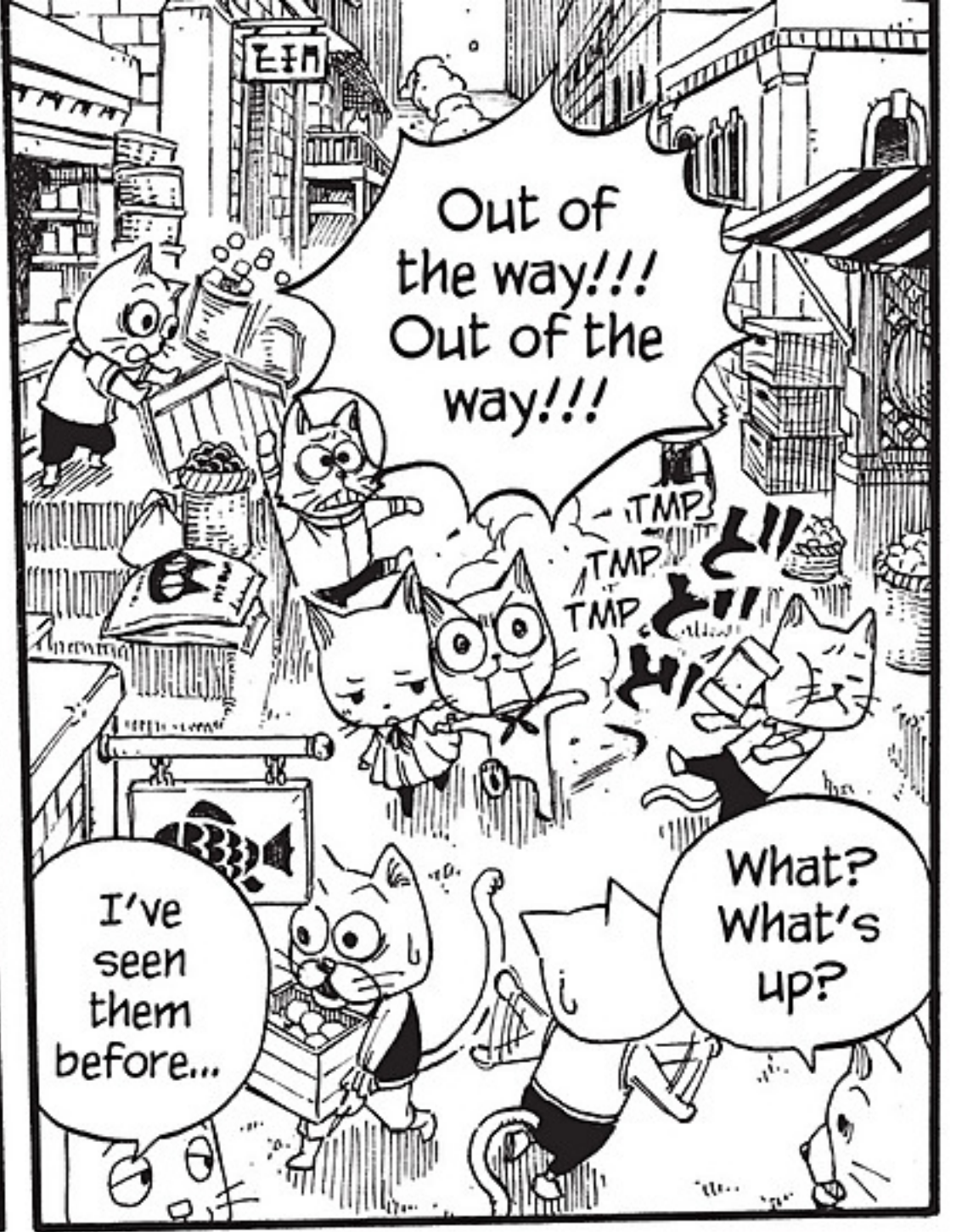




Let's  
hide in  
there!!



Stop! Stop  
right there!!  
Meeeen!!!



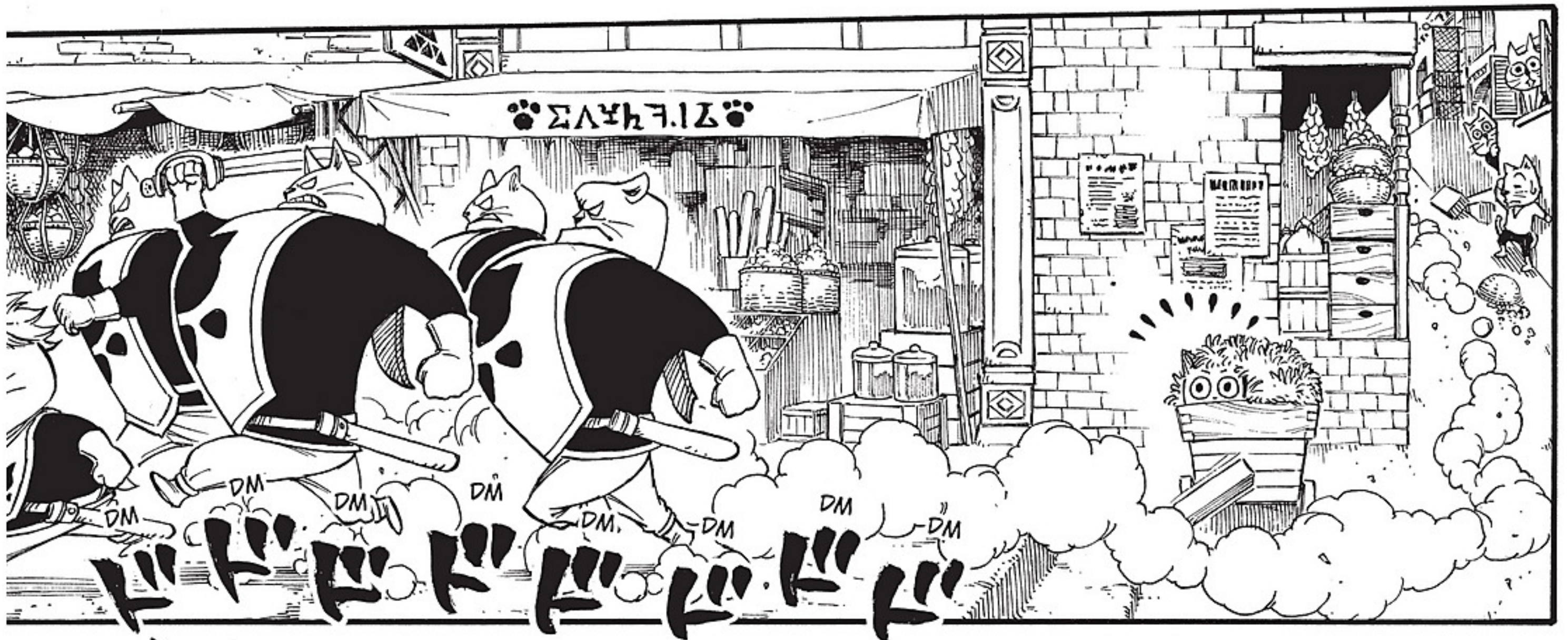
Out of  
the way!!!  
Out of the  
way!!!

I've  
seen  
them  
before...

What?  
What's  
up?



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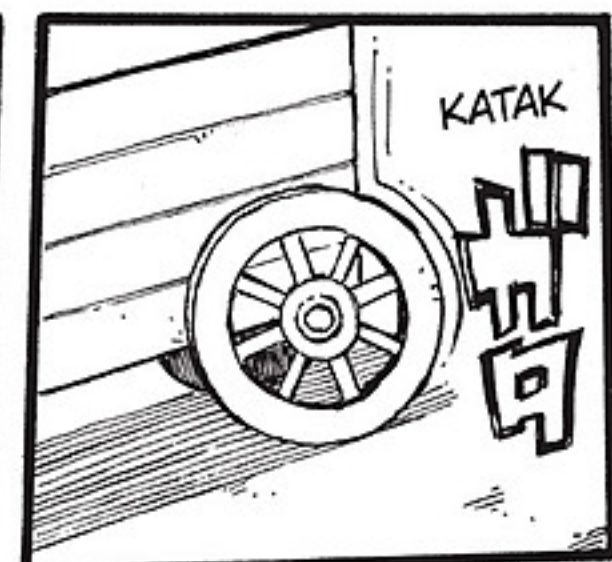
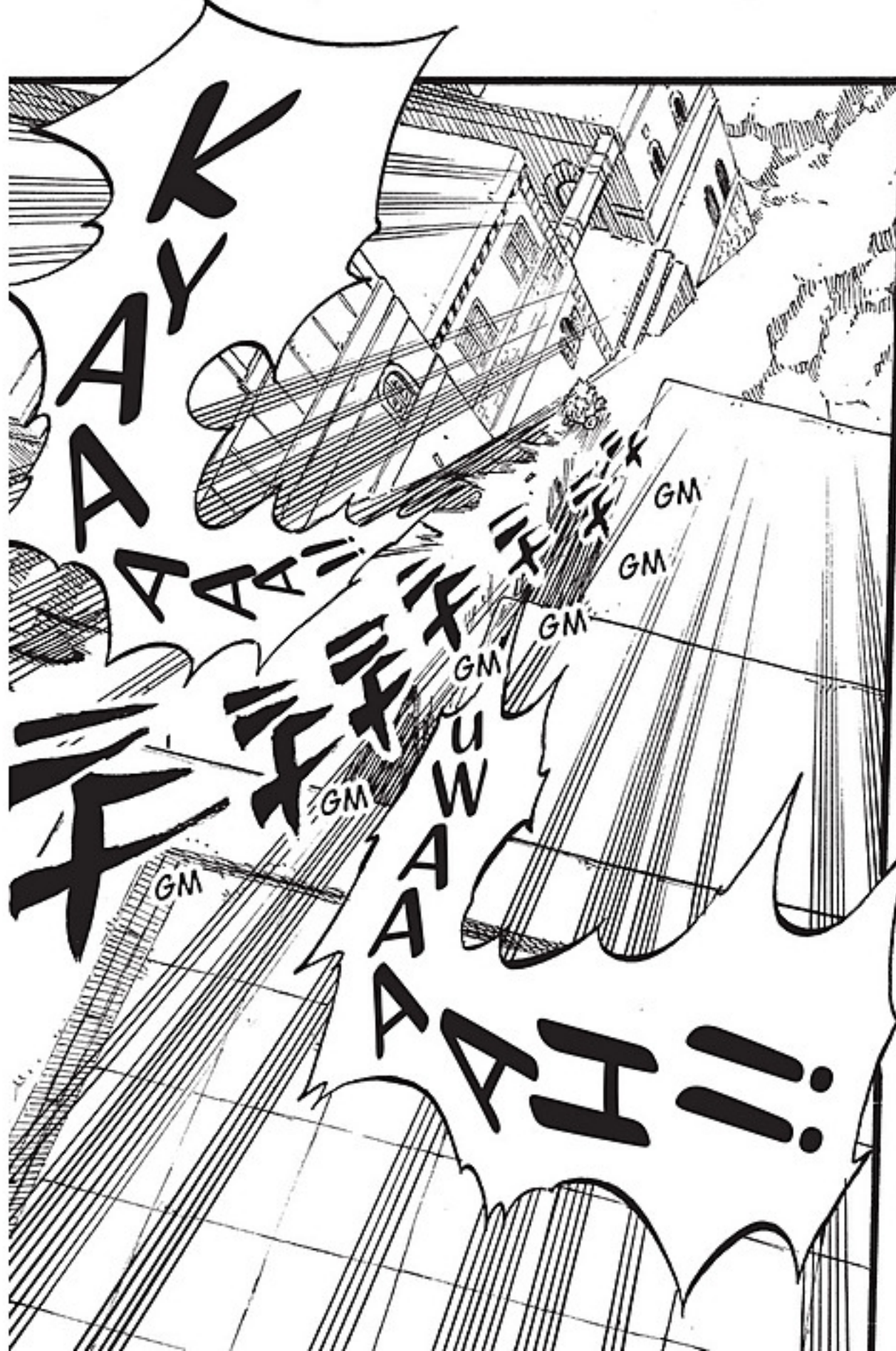
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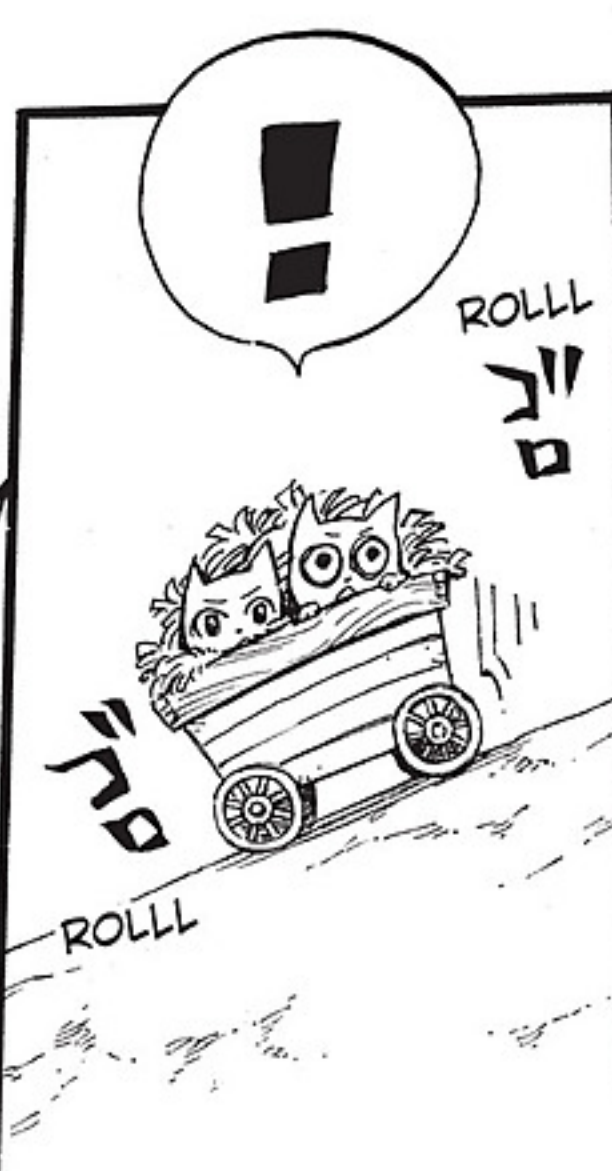
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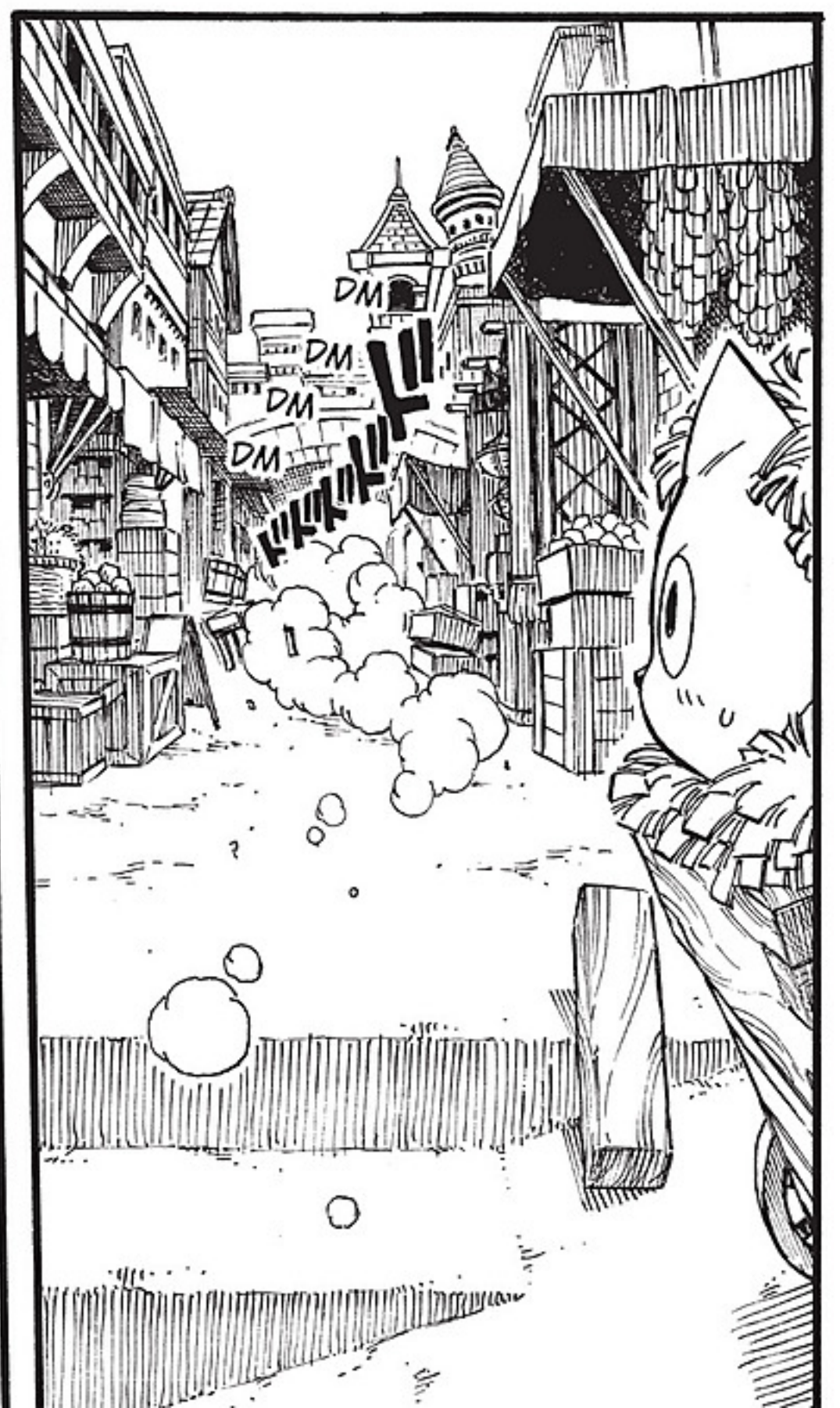
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ROLL

ROLL



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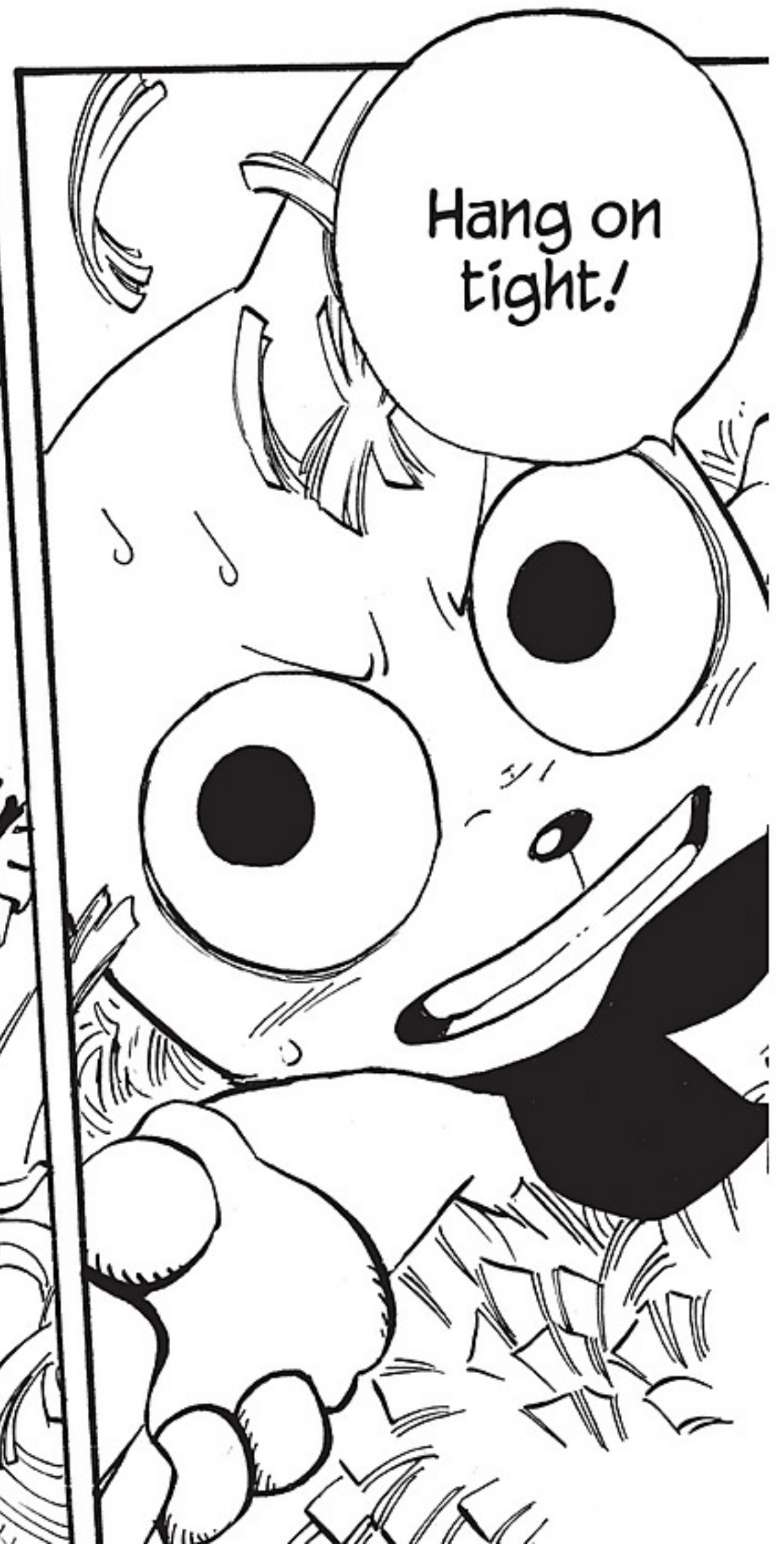
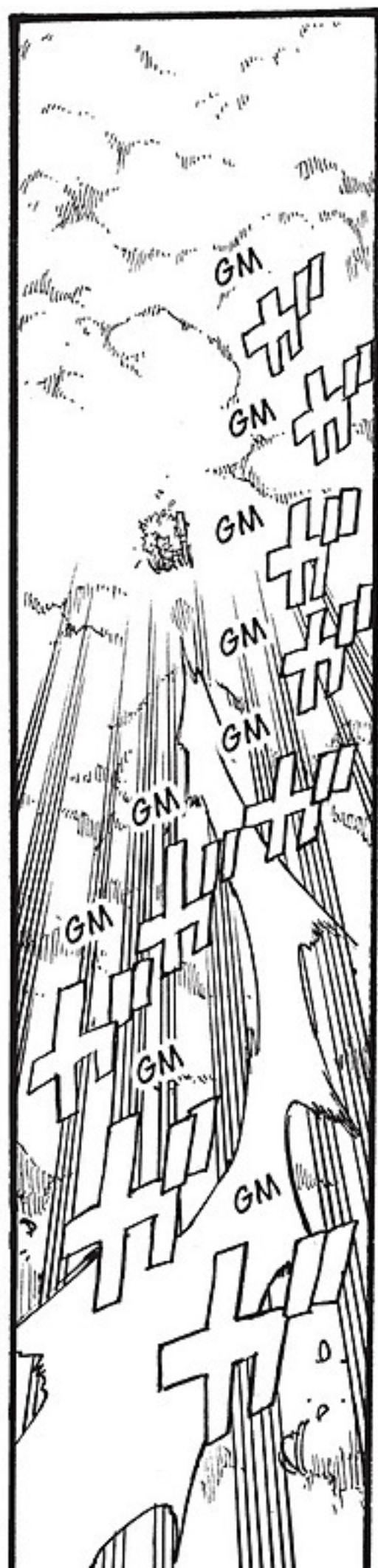
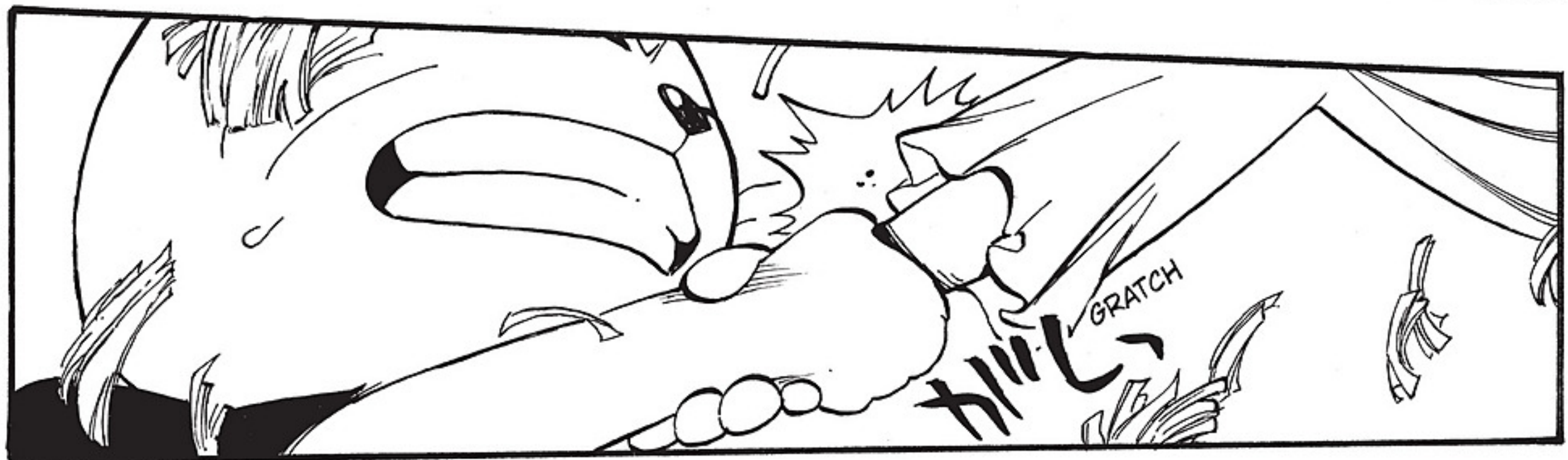
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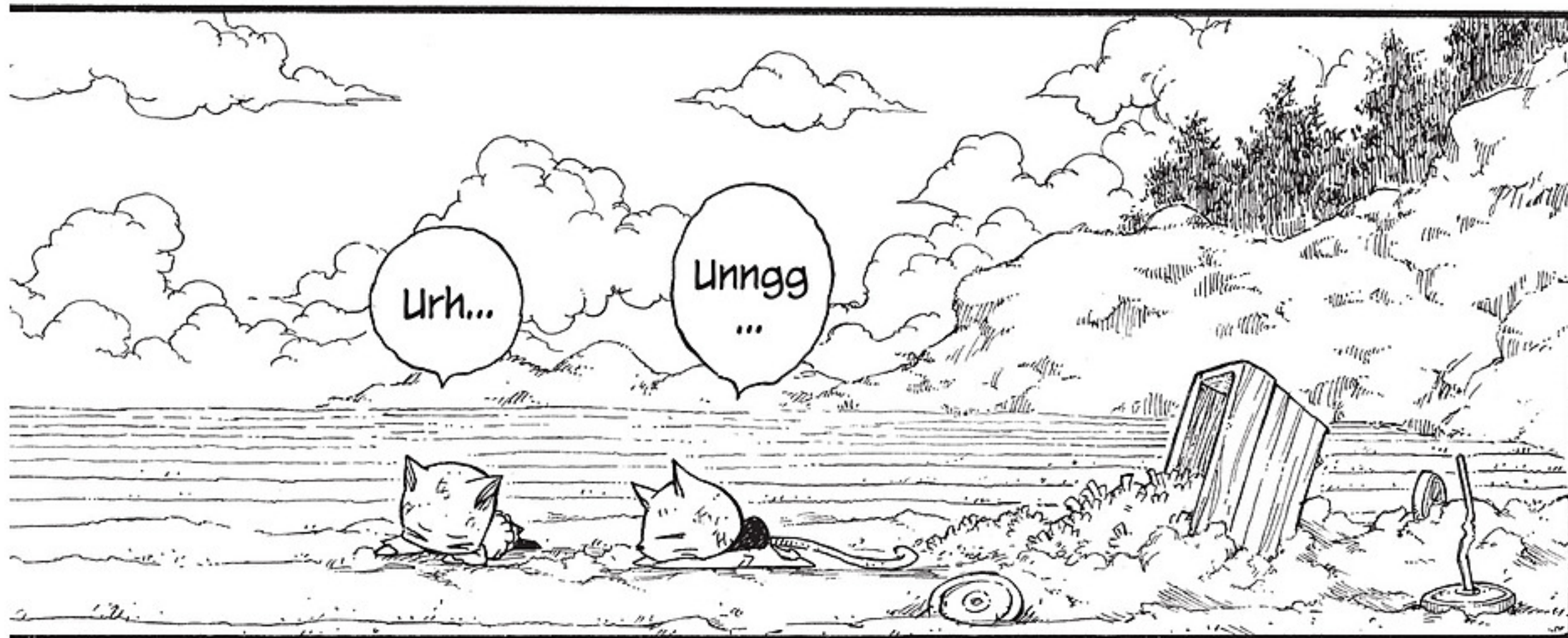
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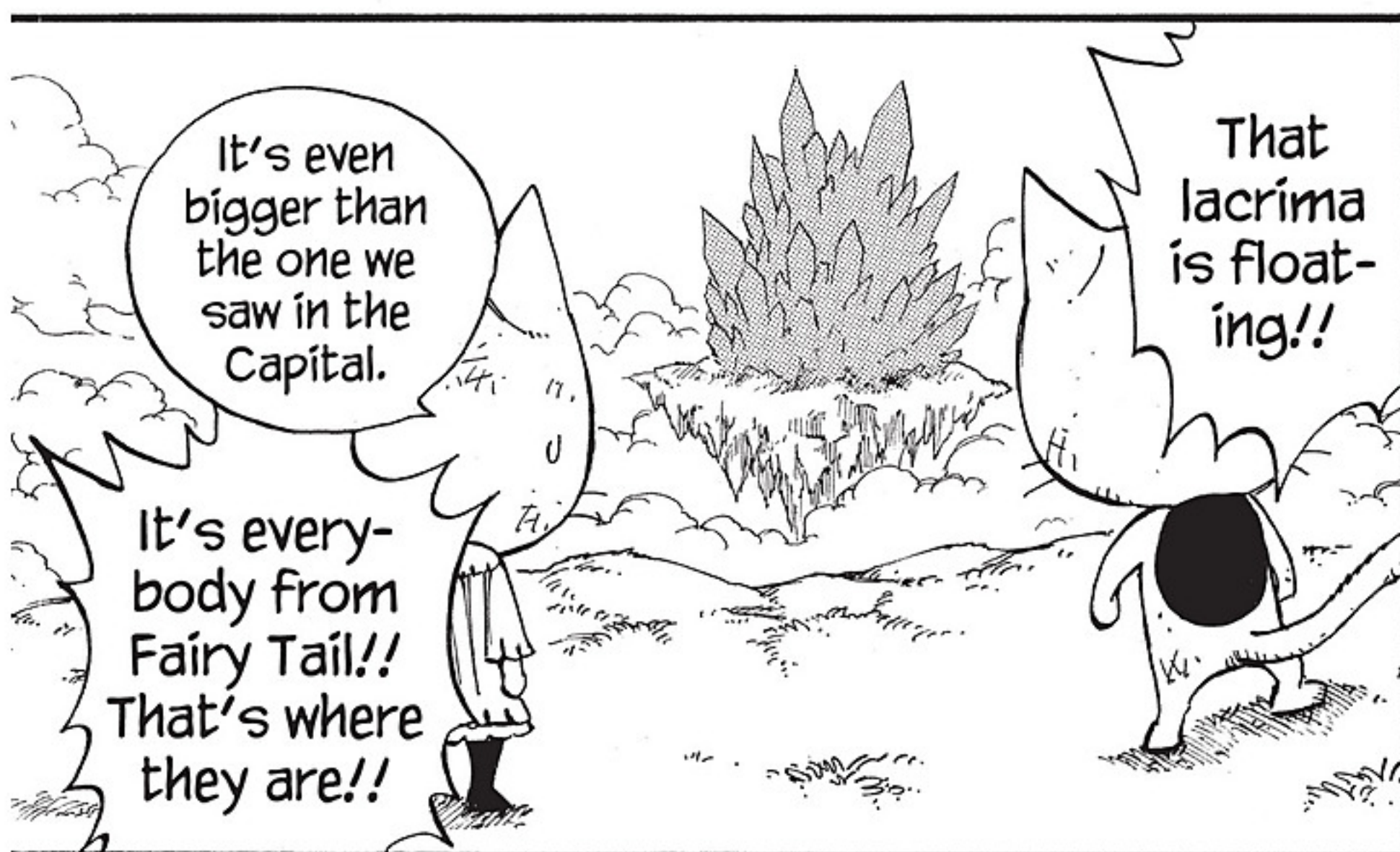






Urh...

Uningg...



It's even bigger than the one we saw in the Capital.

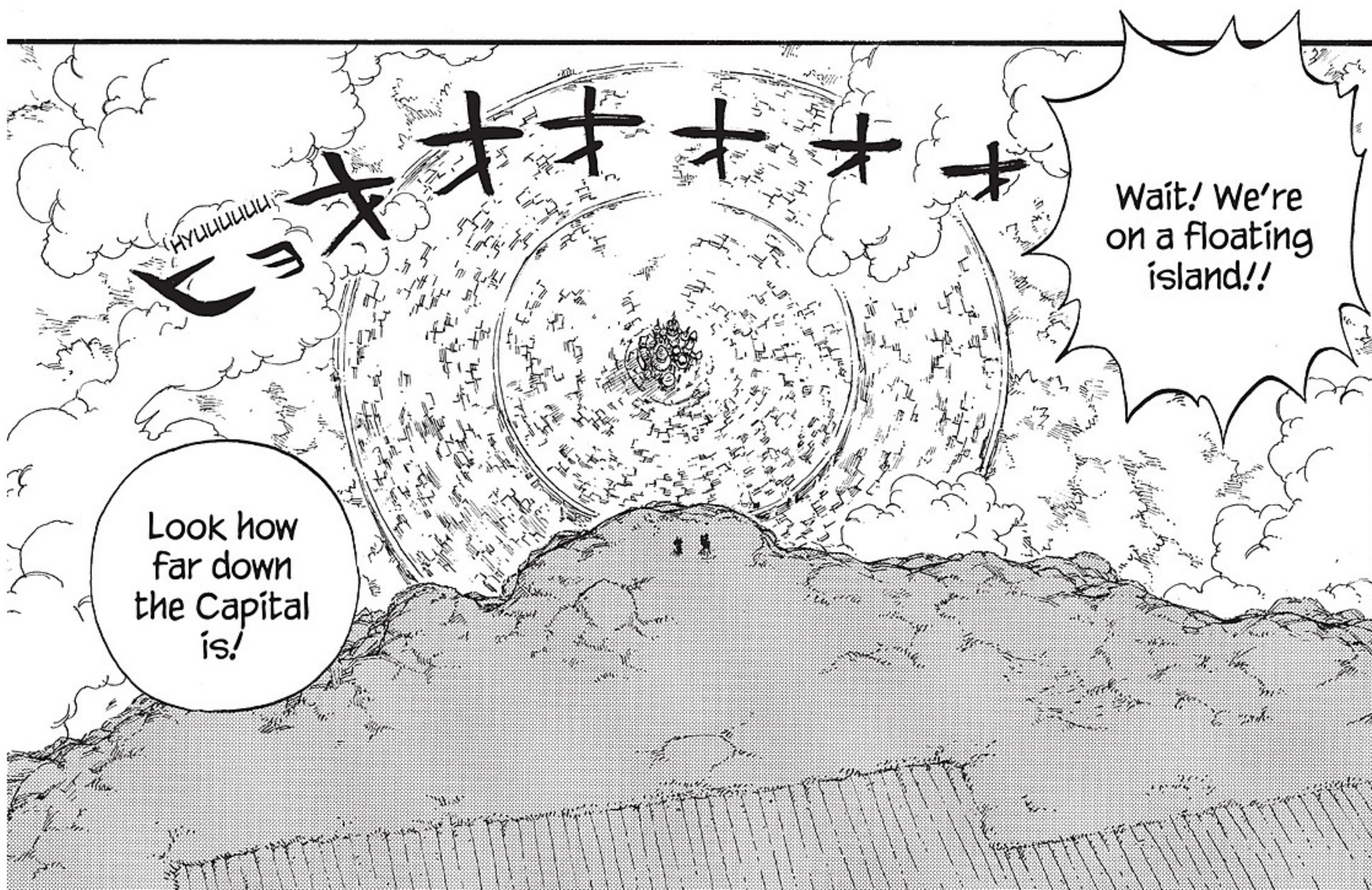
It's everybody from Fairy Tail!! That's where they are!!

That lacrima is floating!!



Happy!! Look at that!

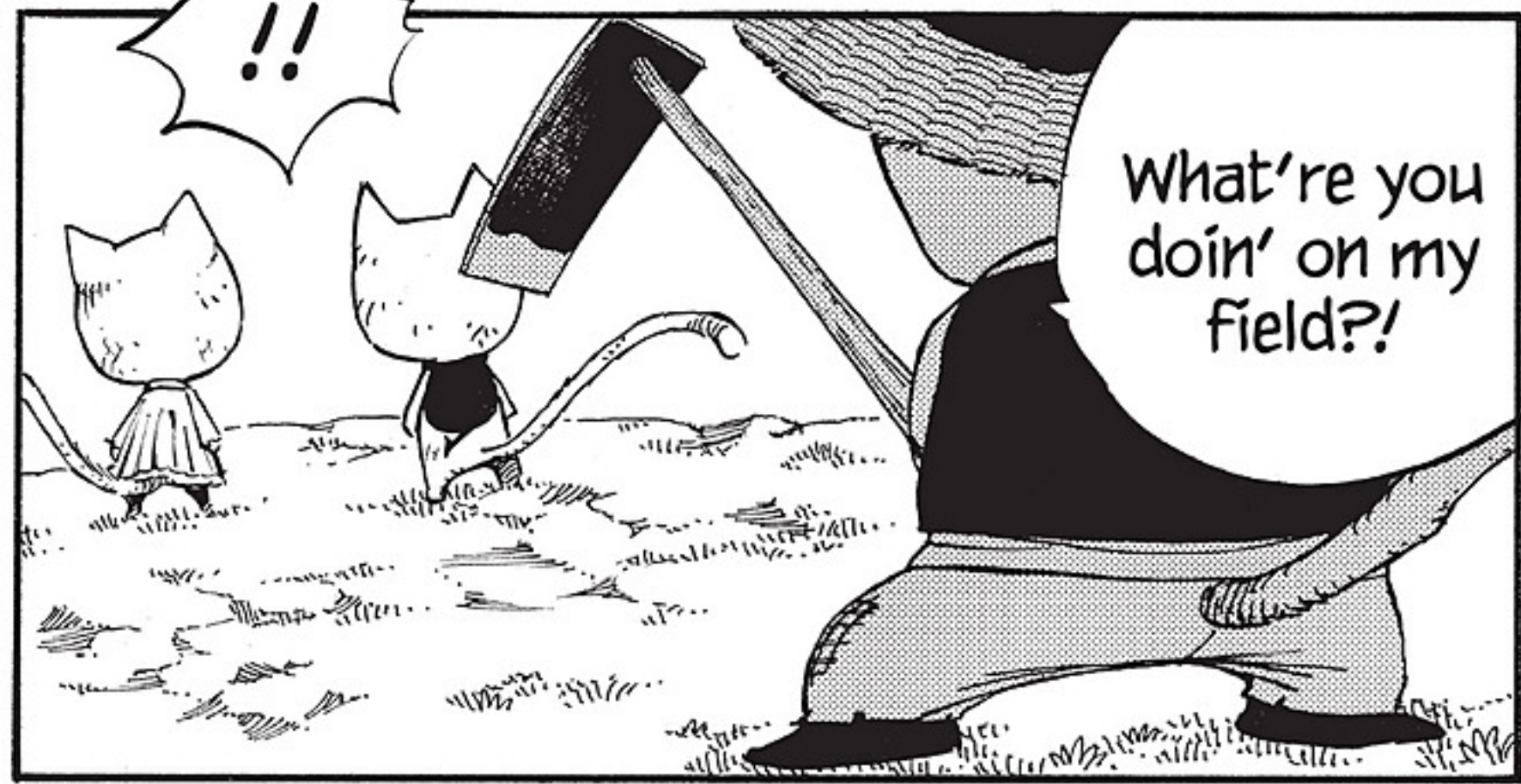
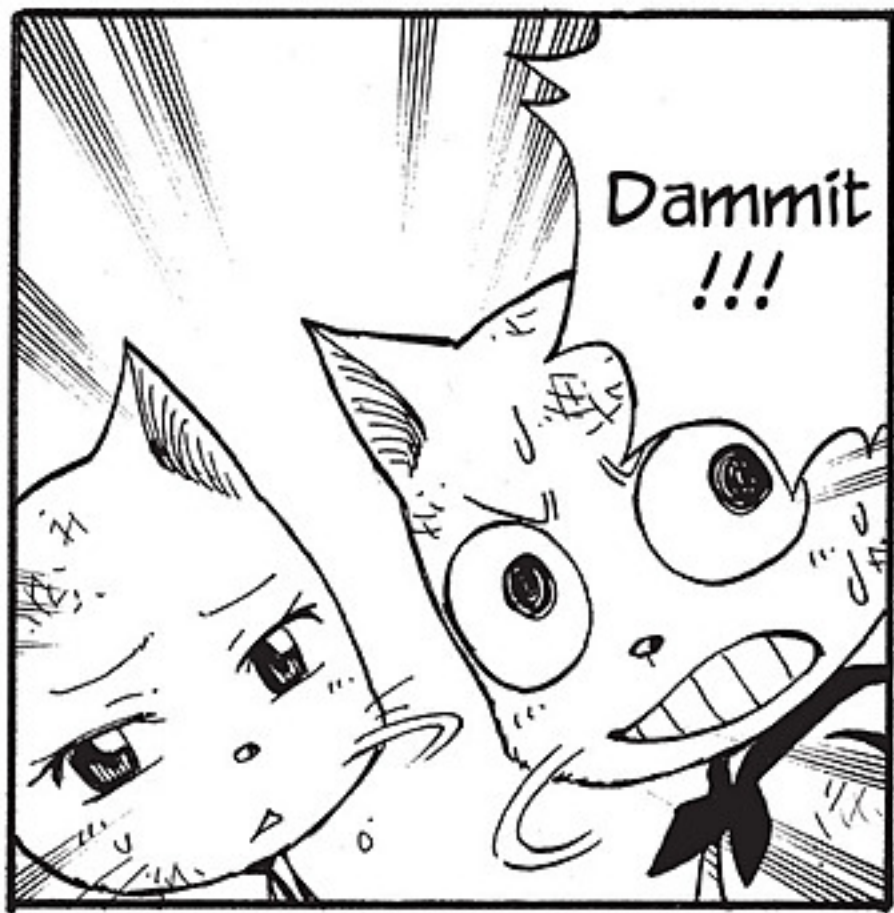
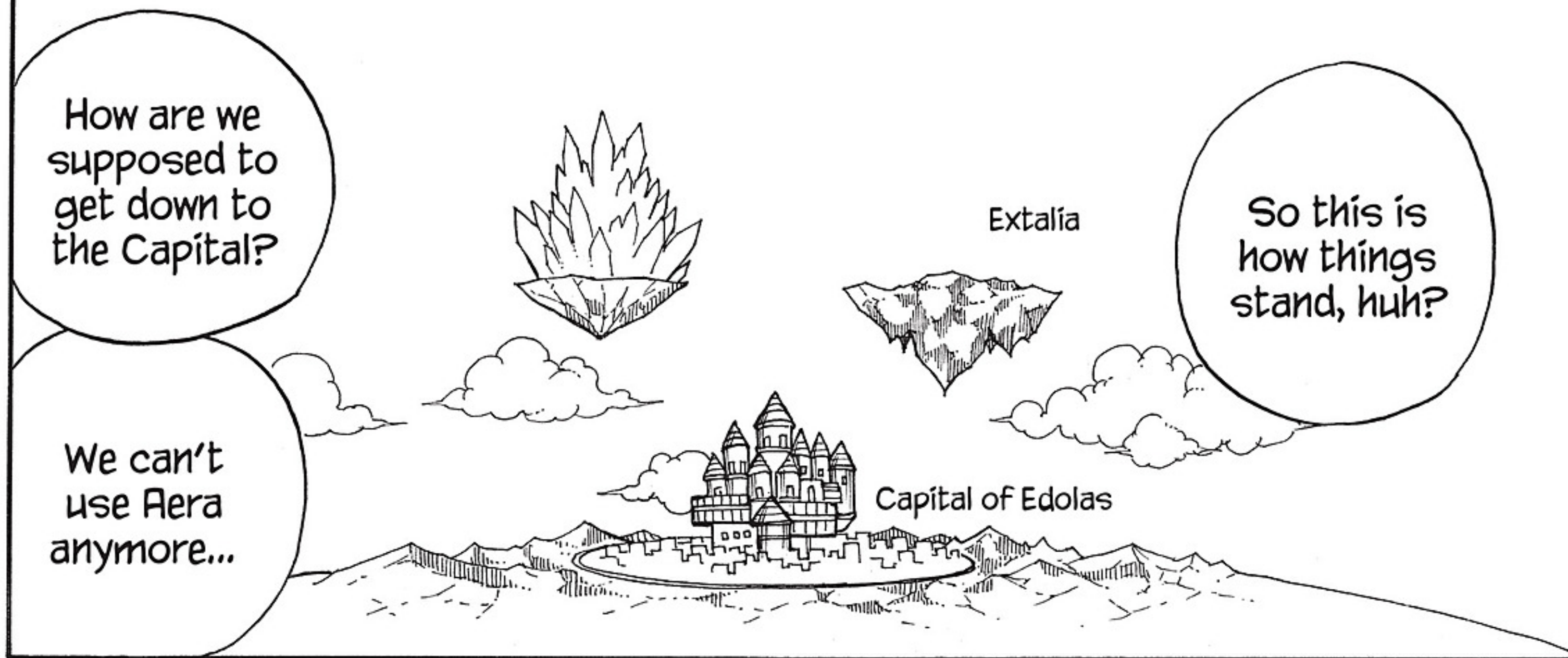
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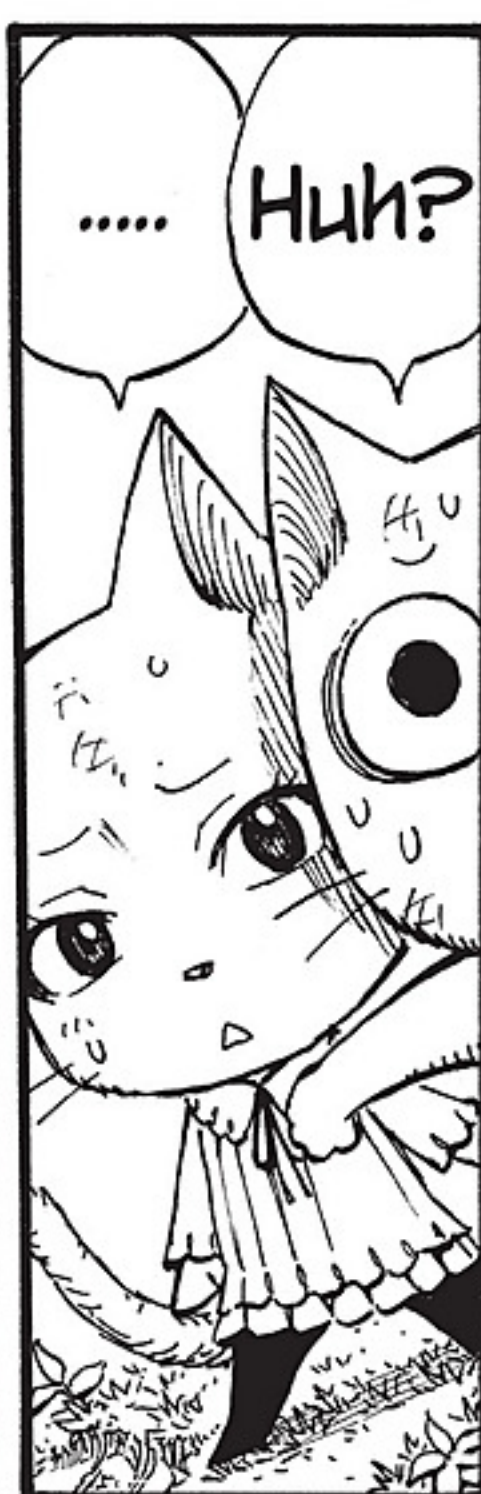
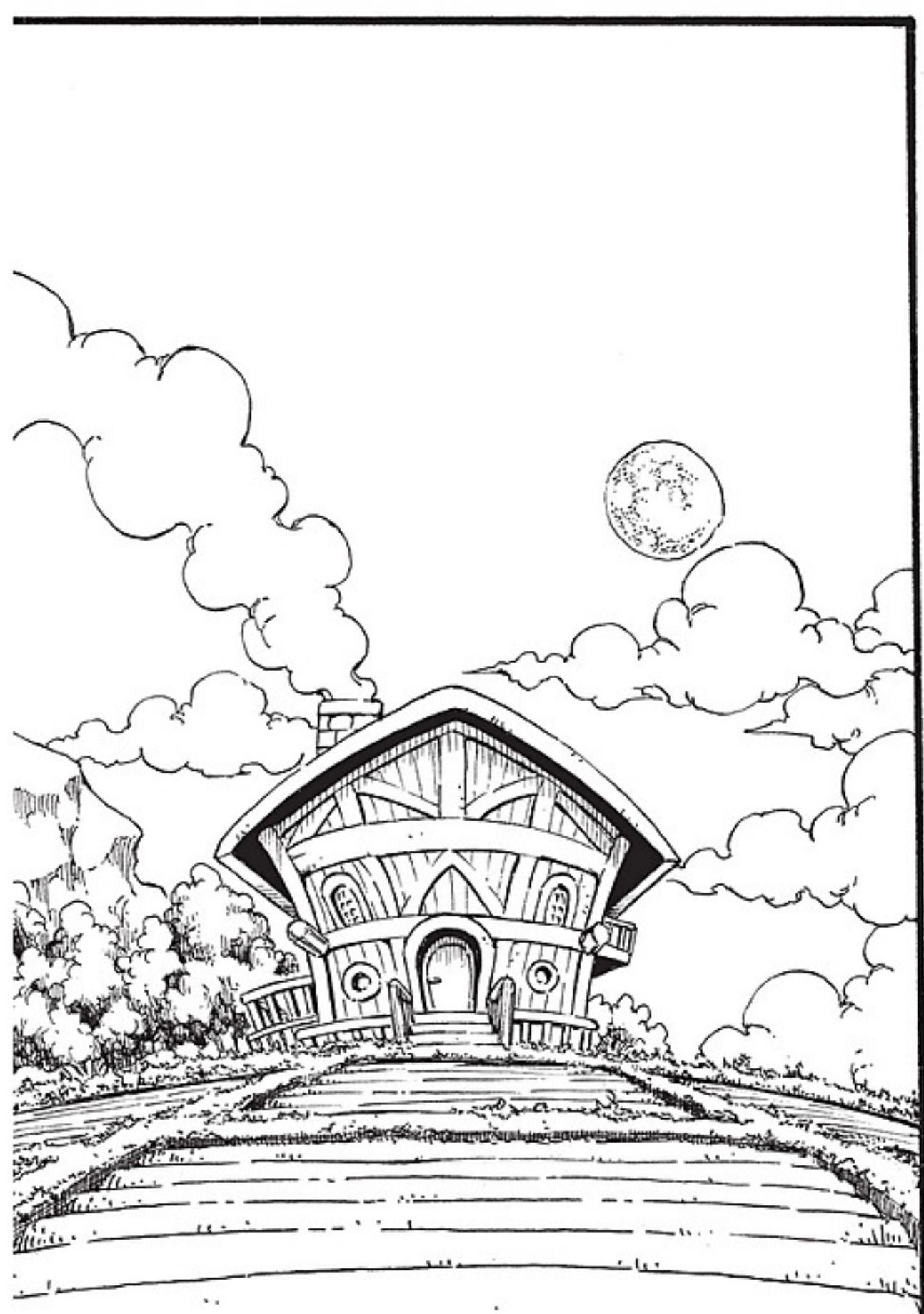
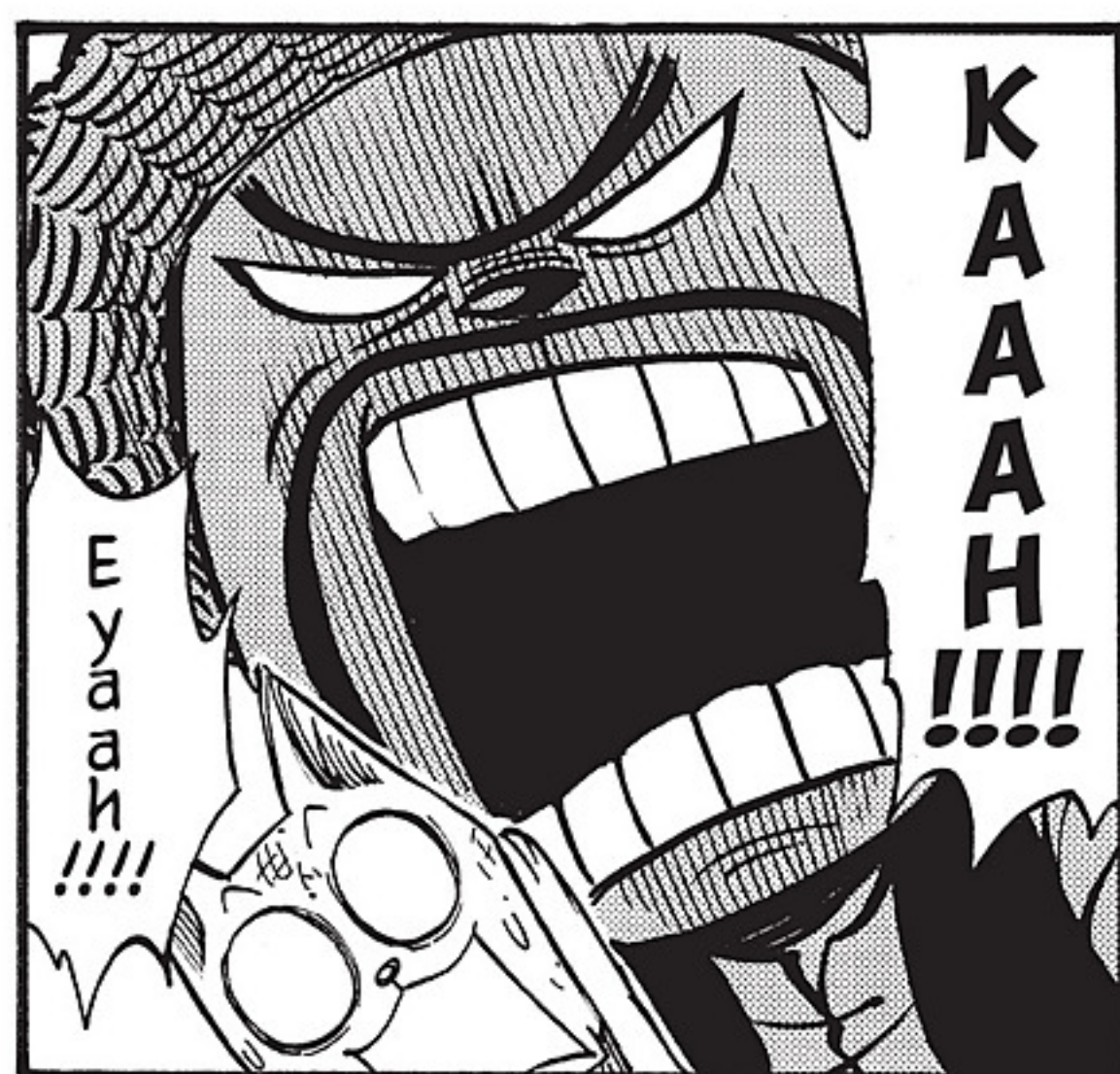
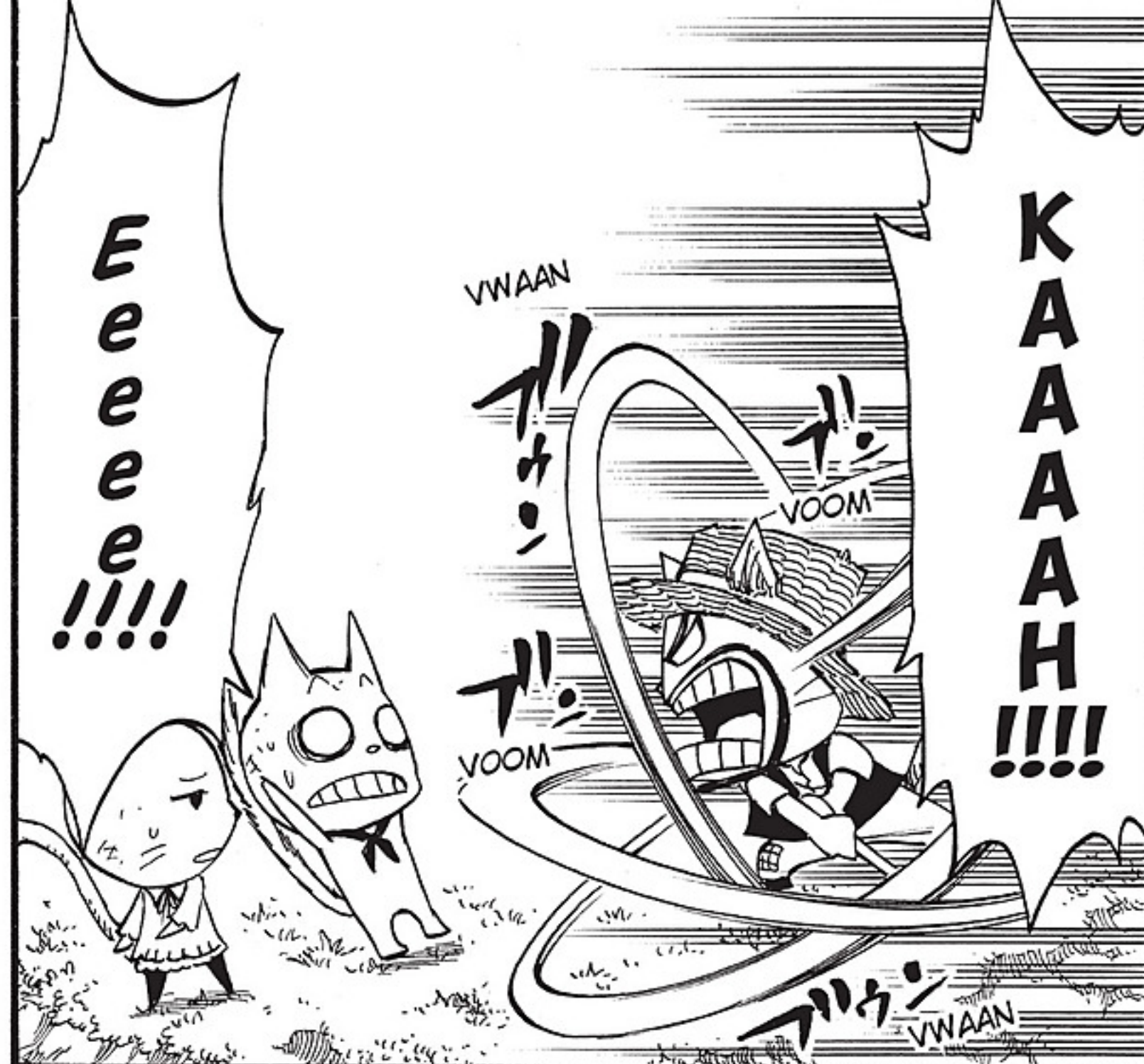
Wait! We're on a floating island!!

Look how far down the Capital is!

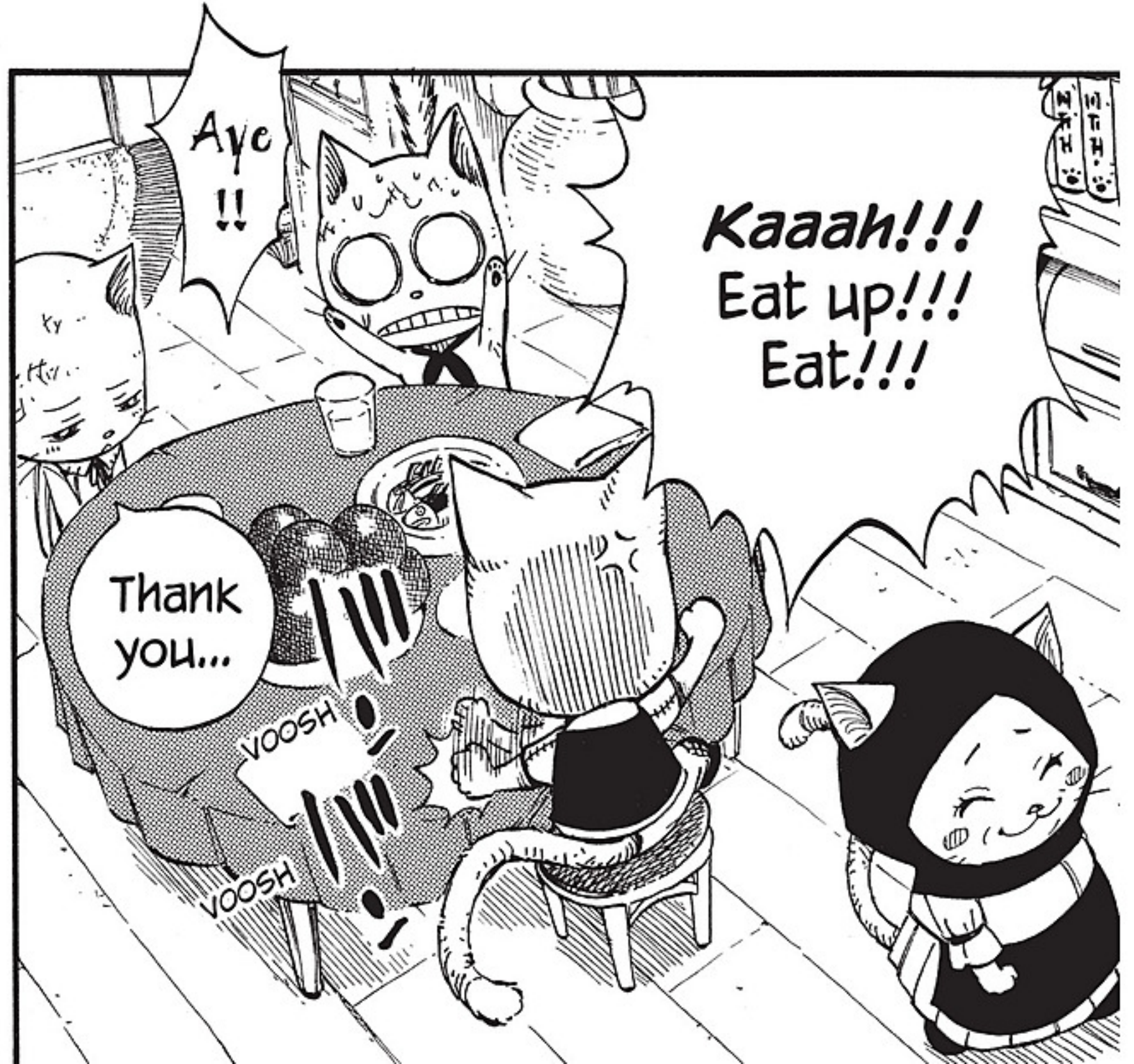
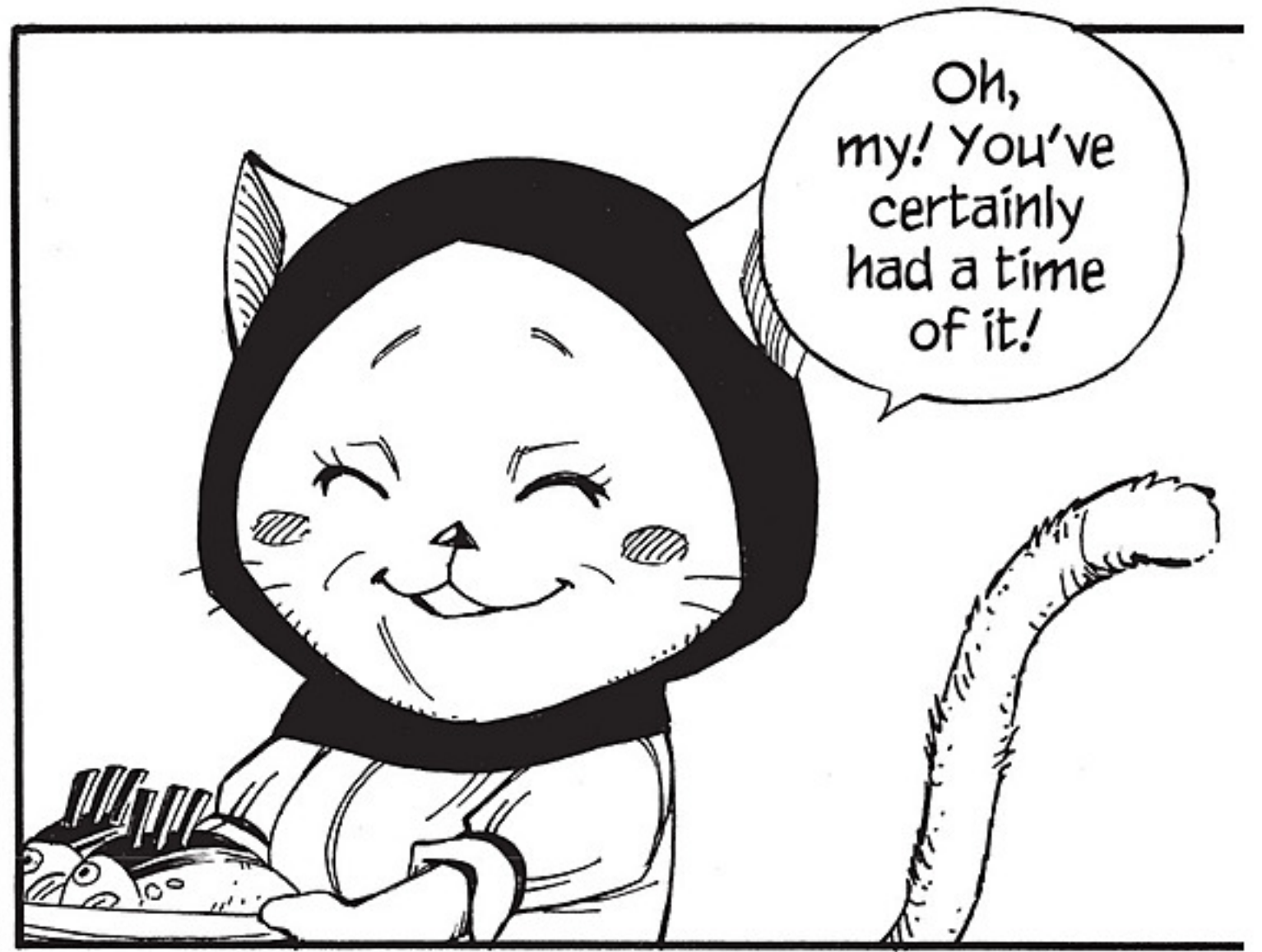
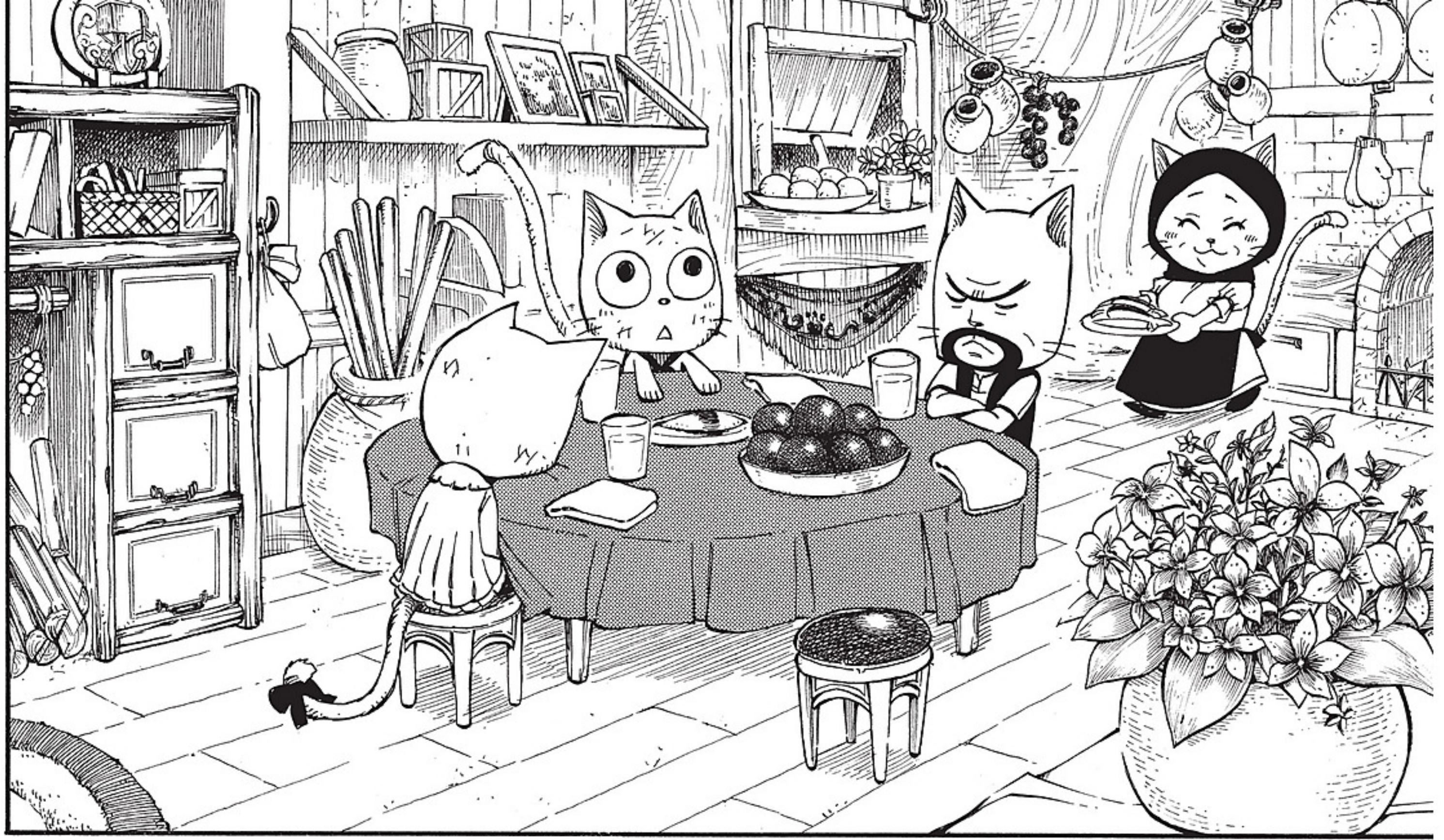




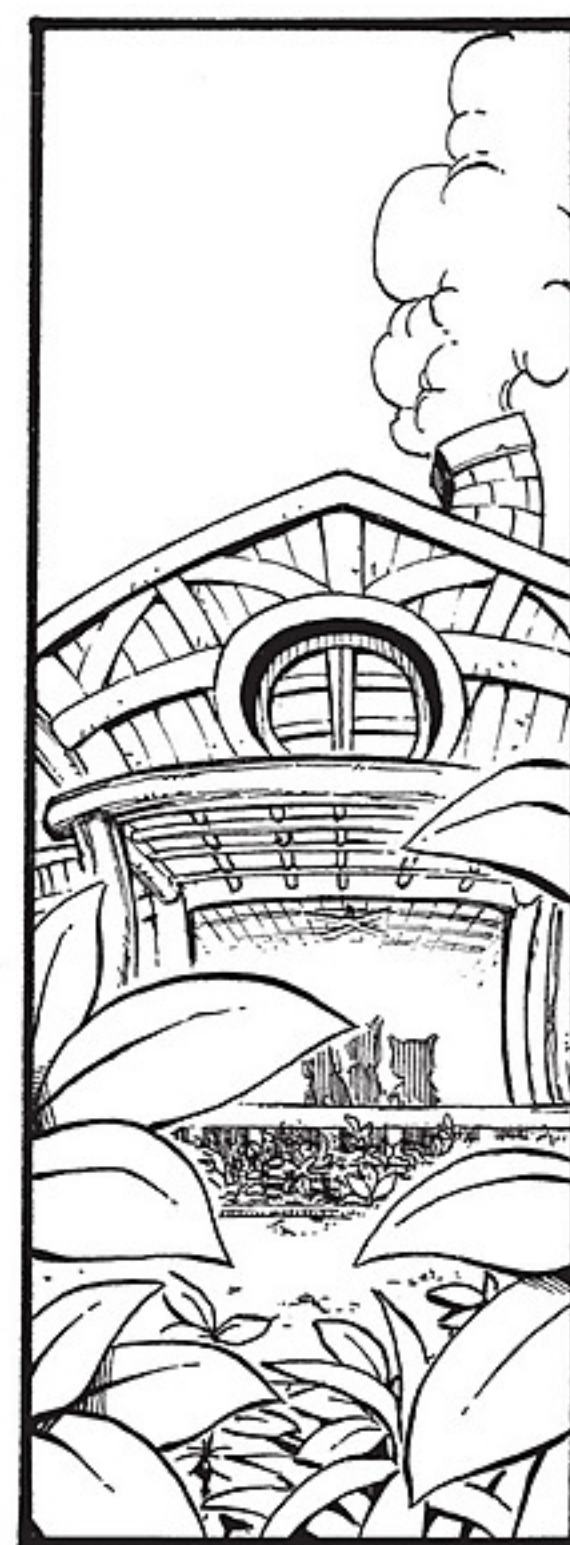




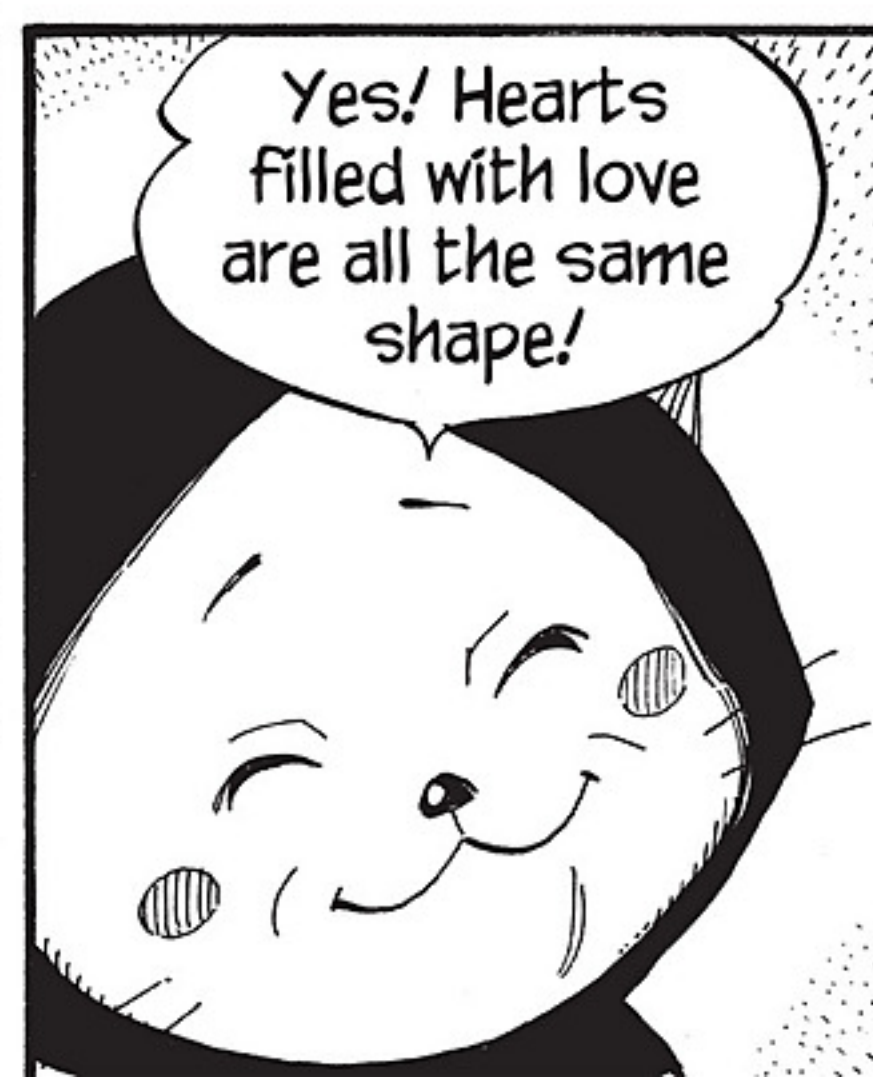
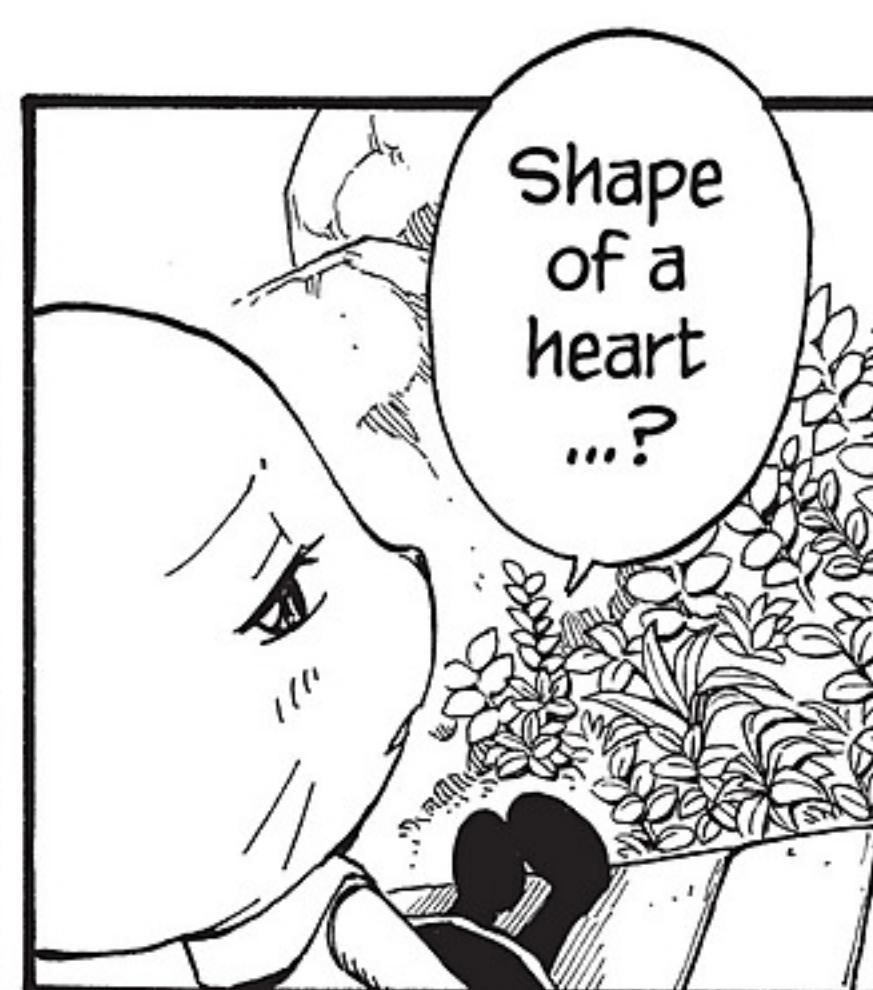
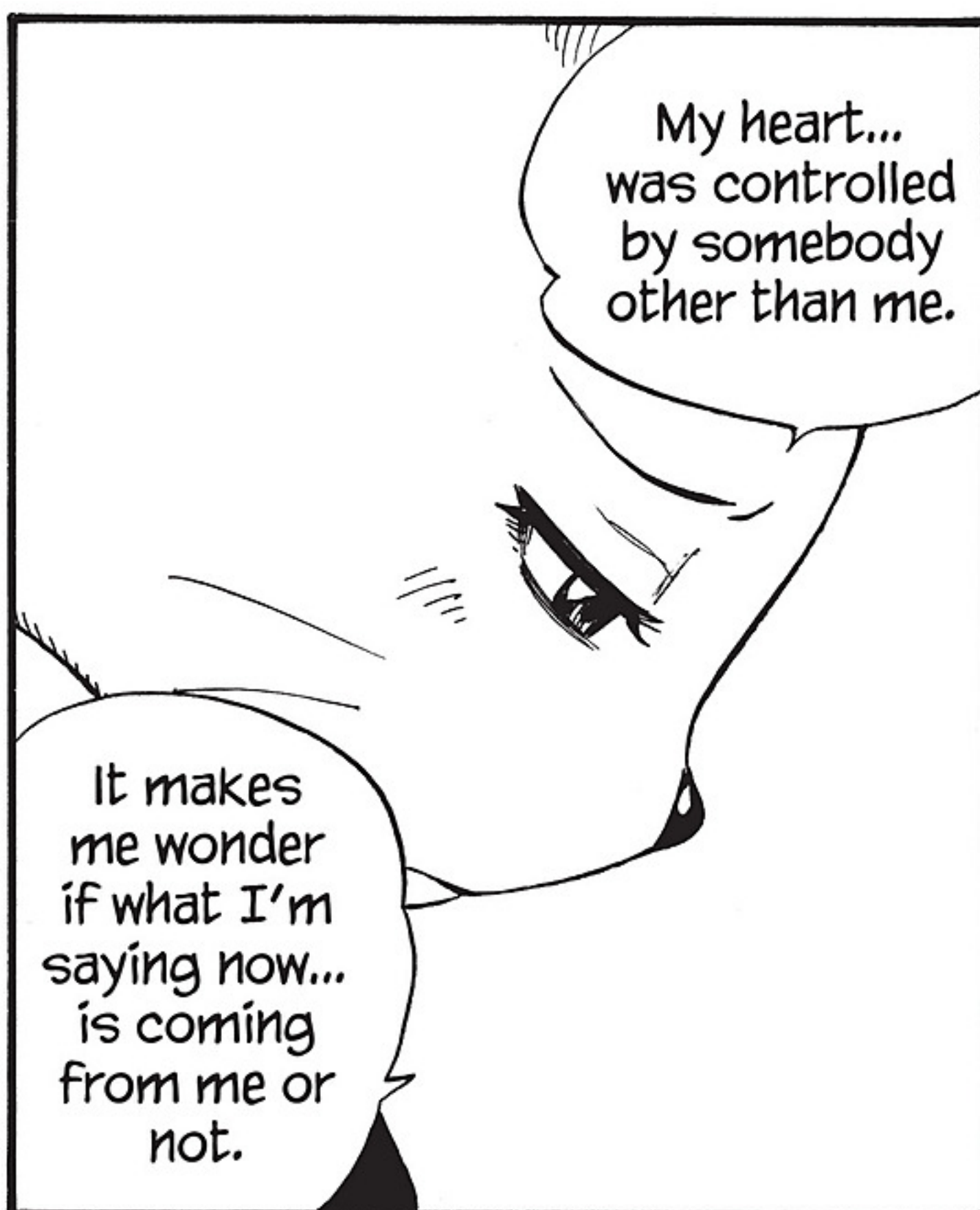




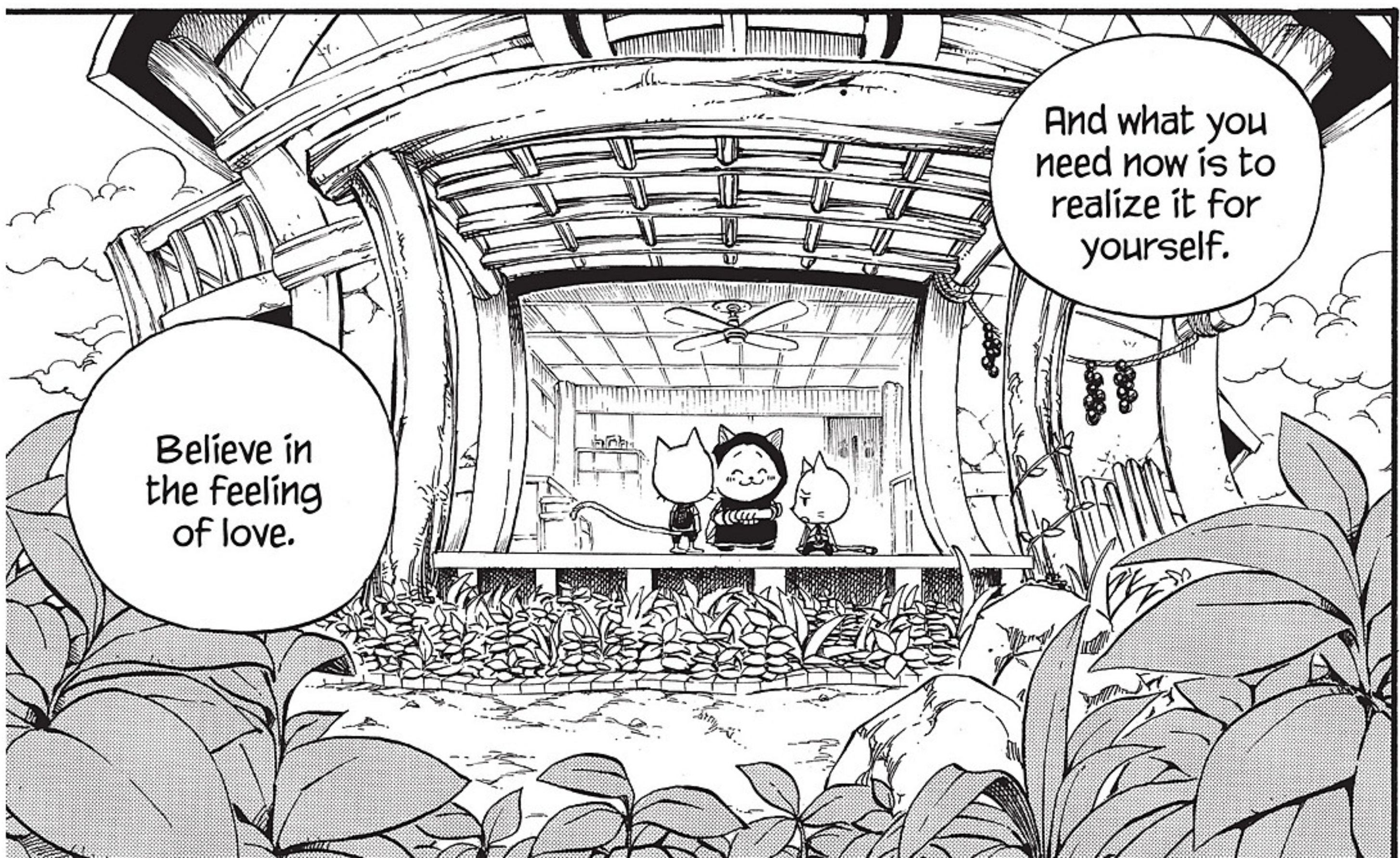
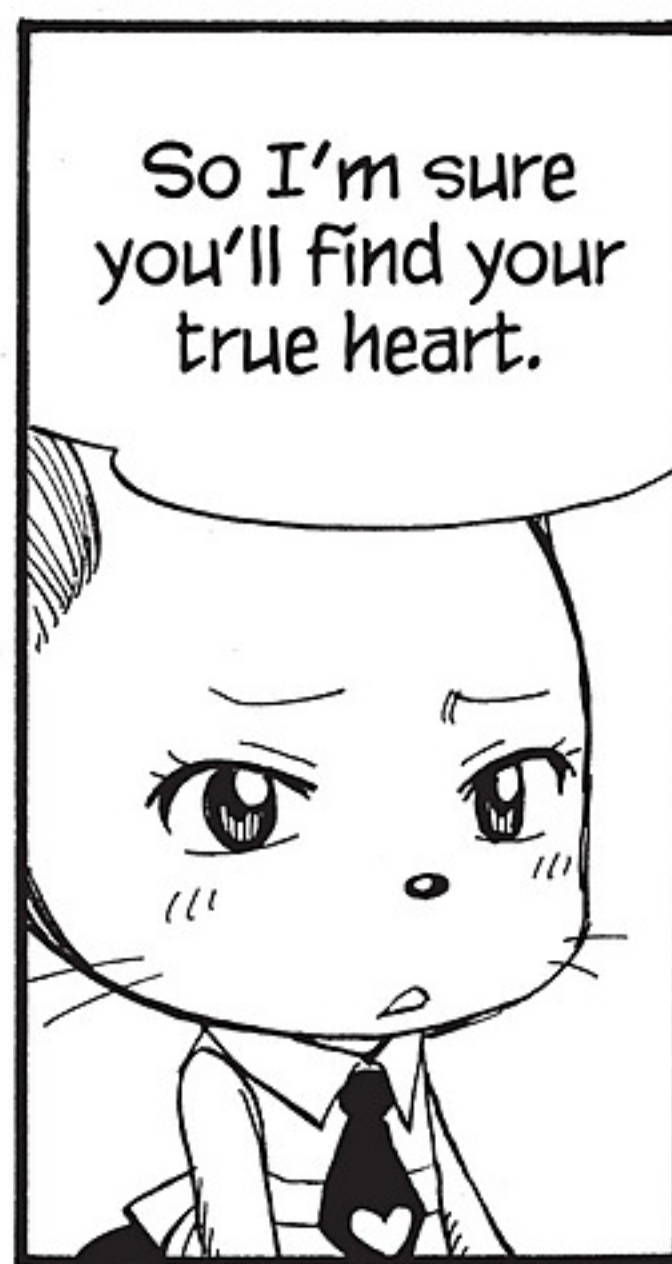
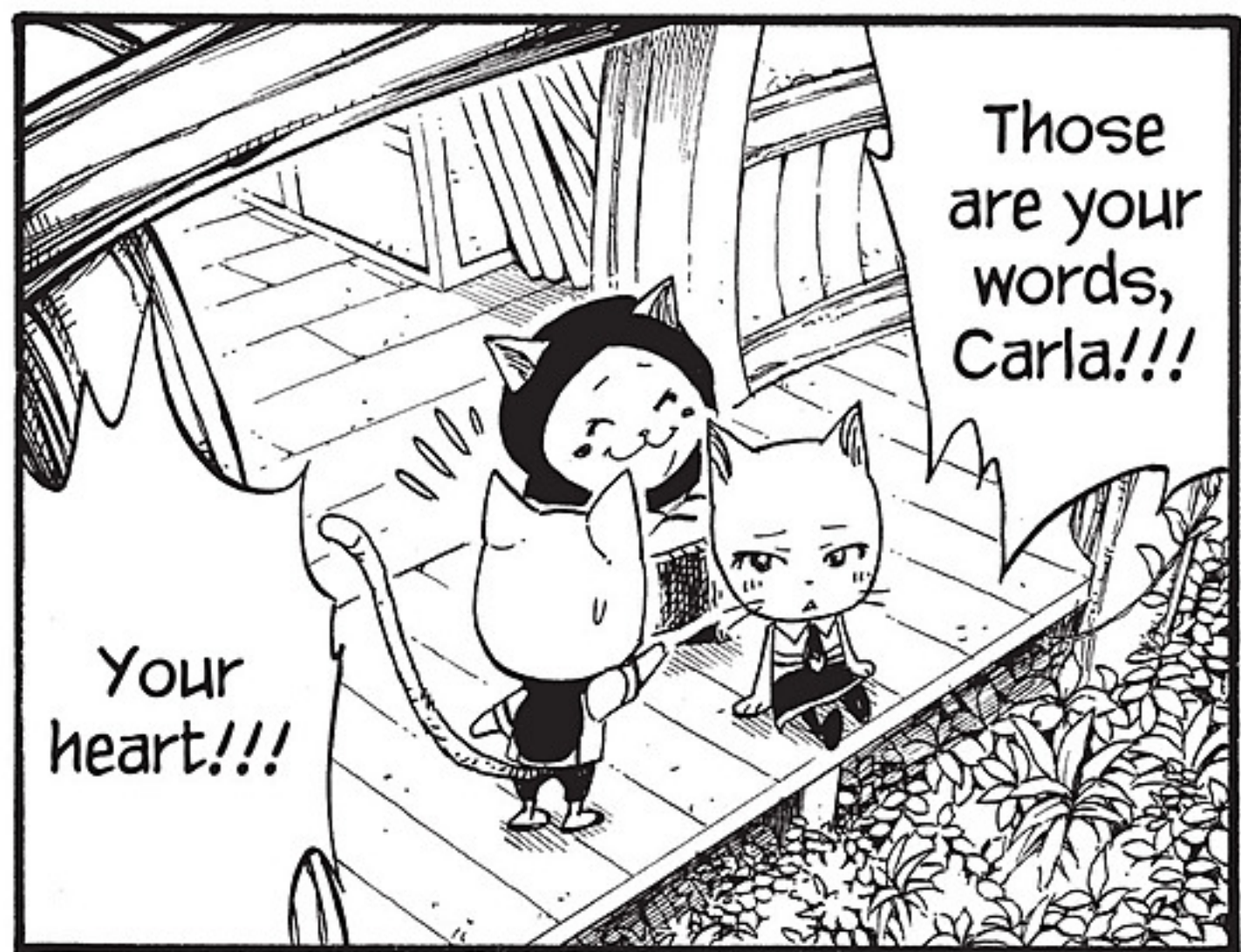




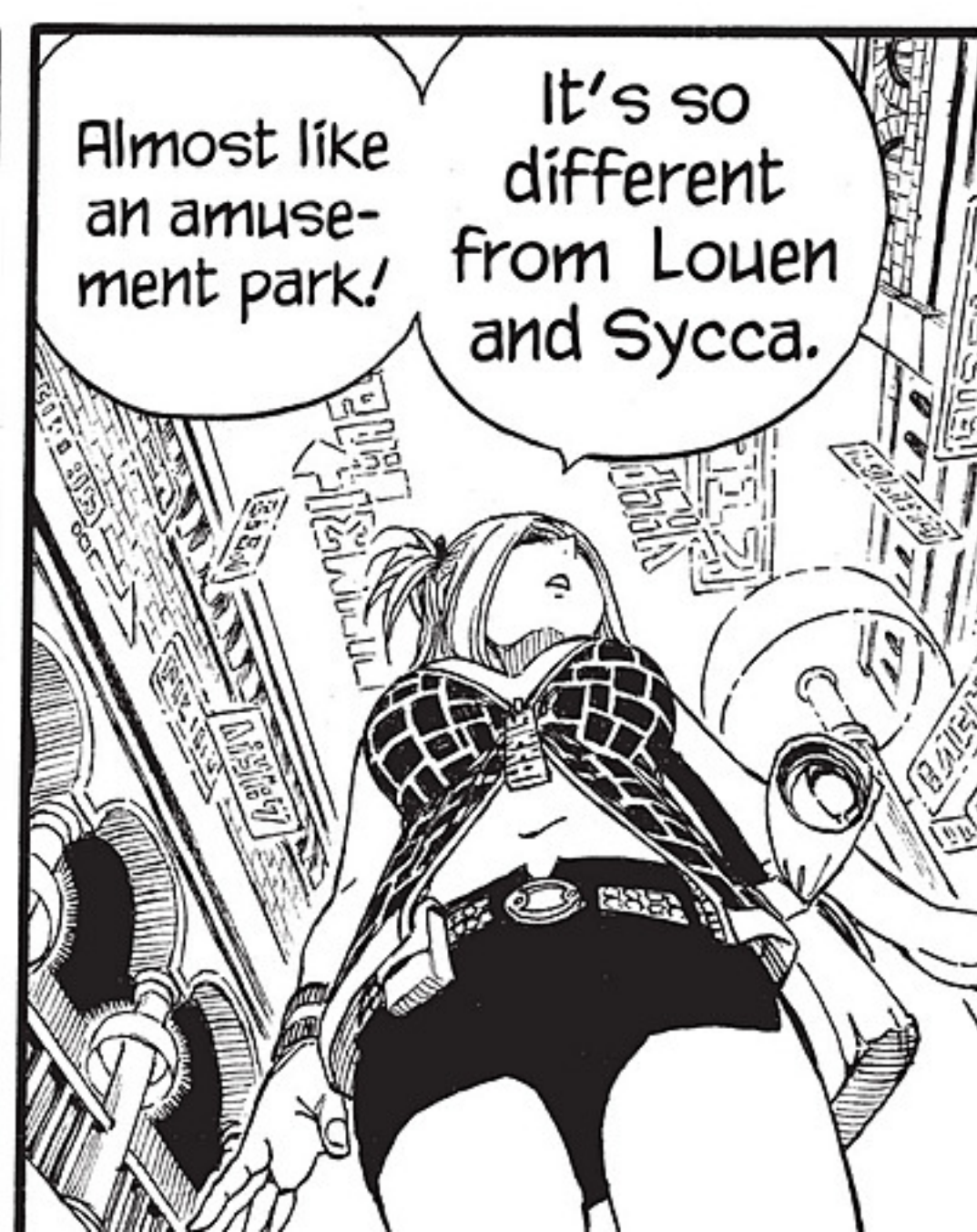
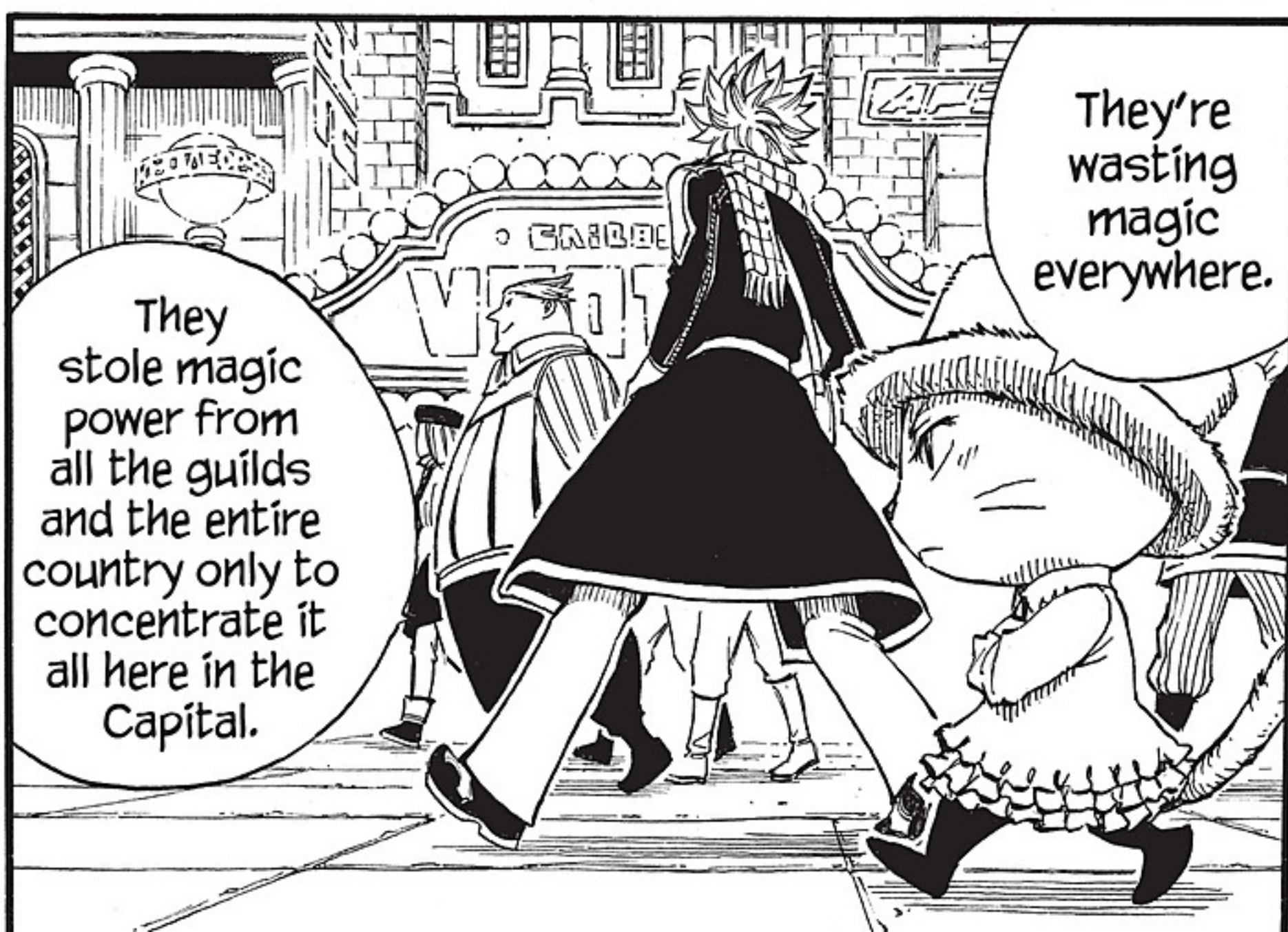
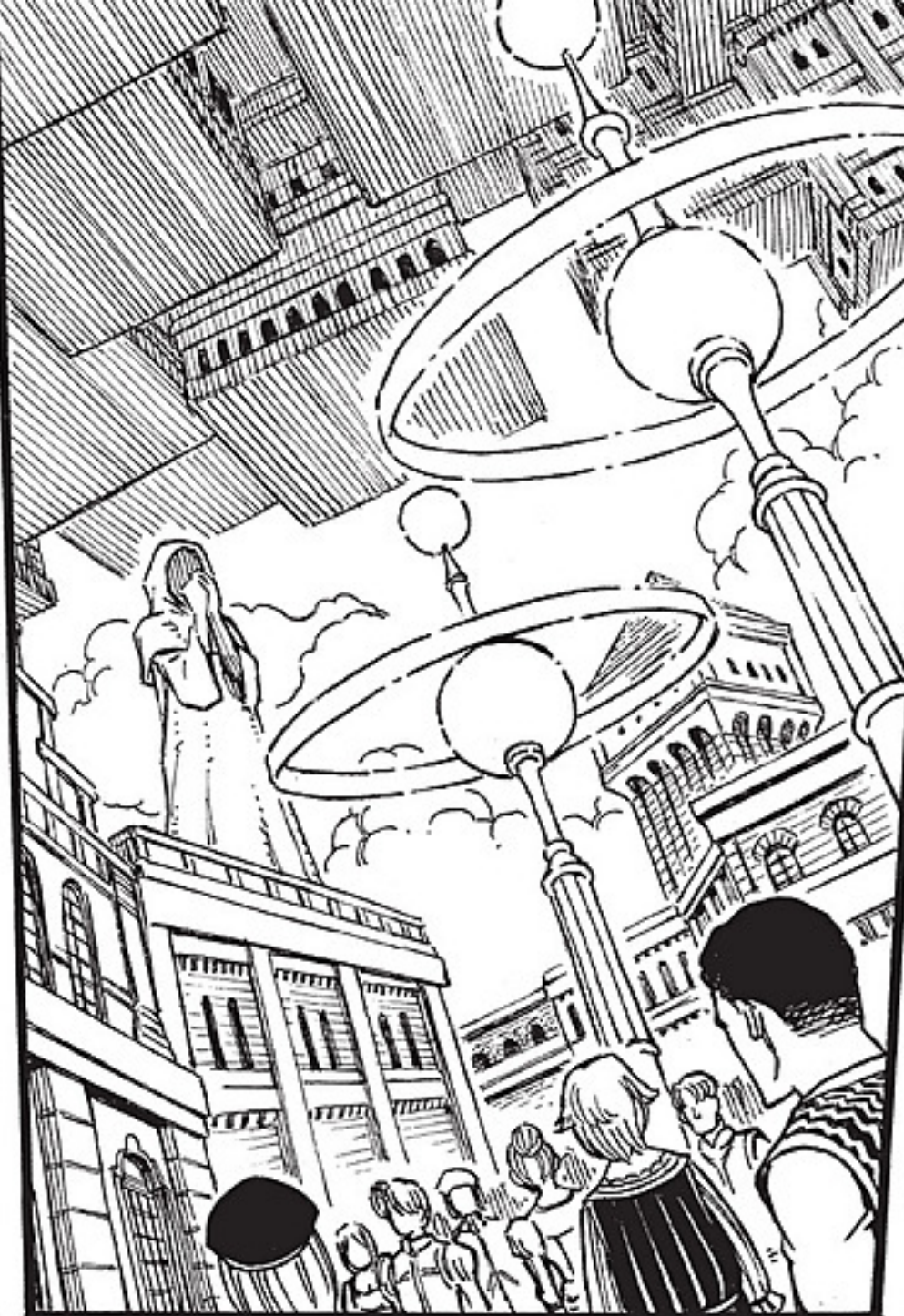




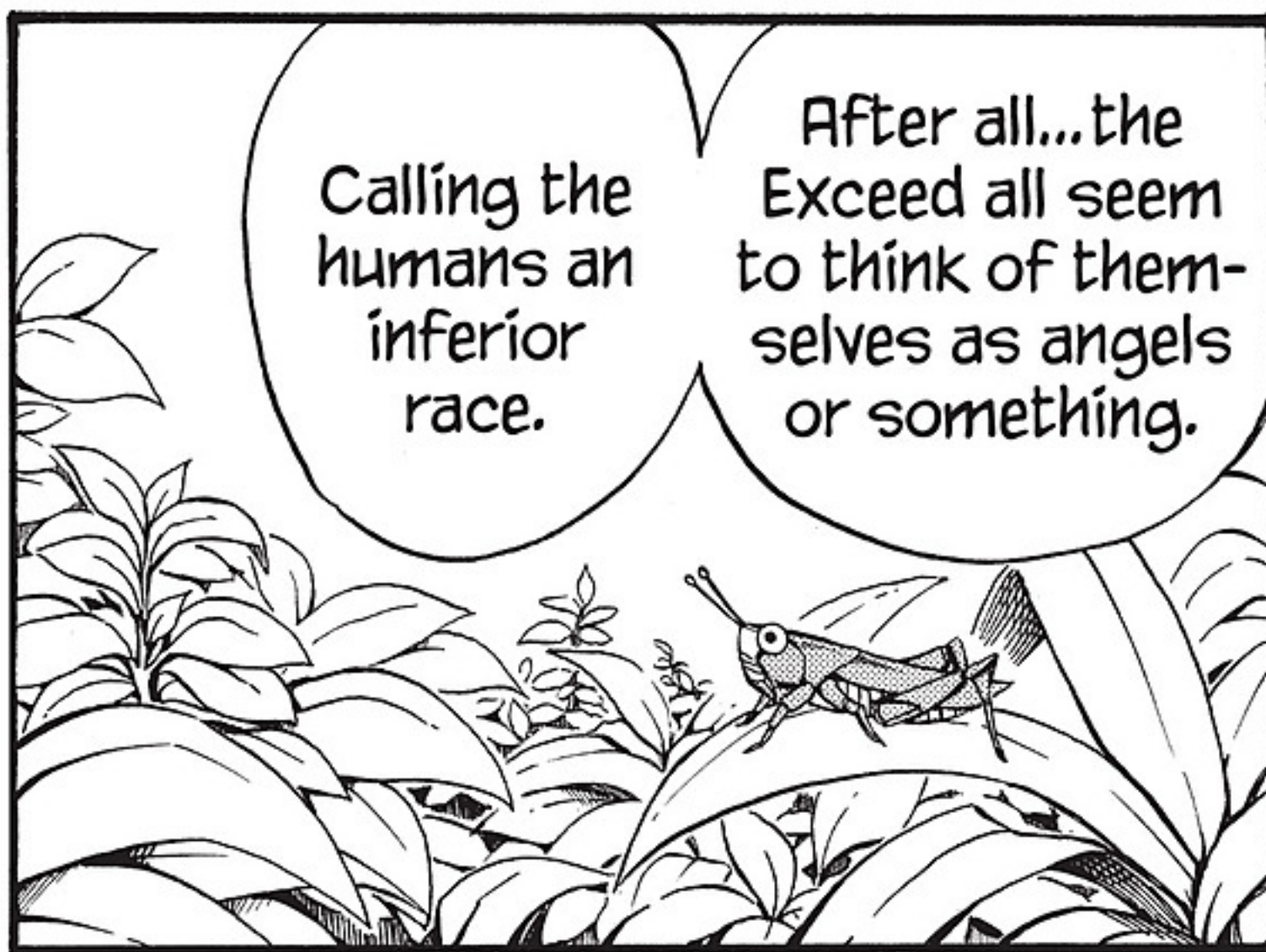
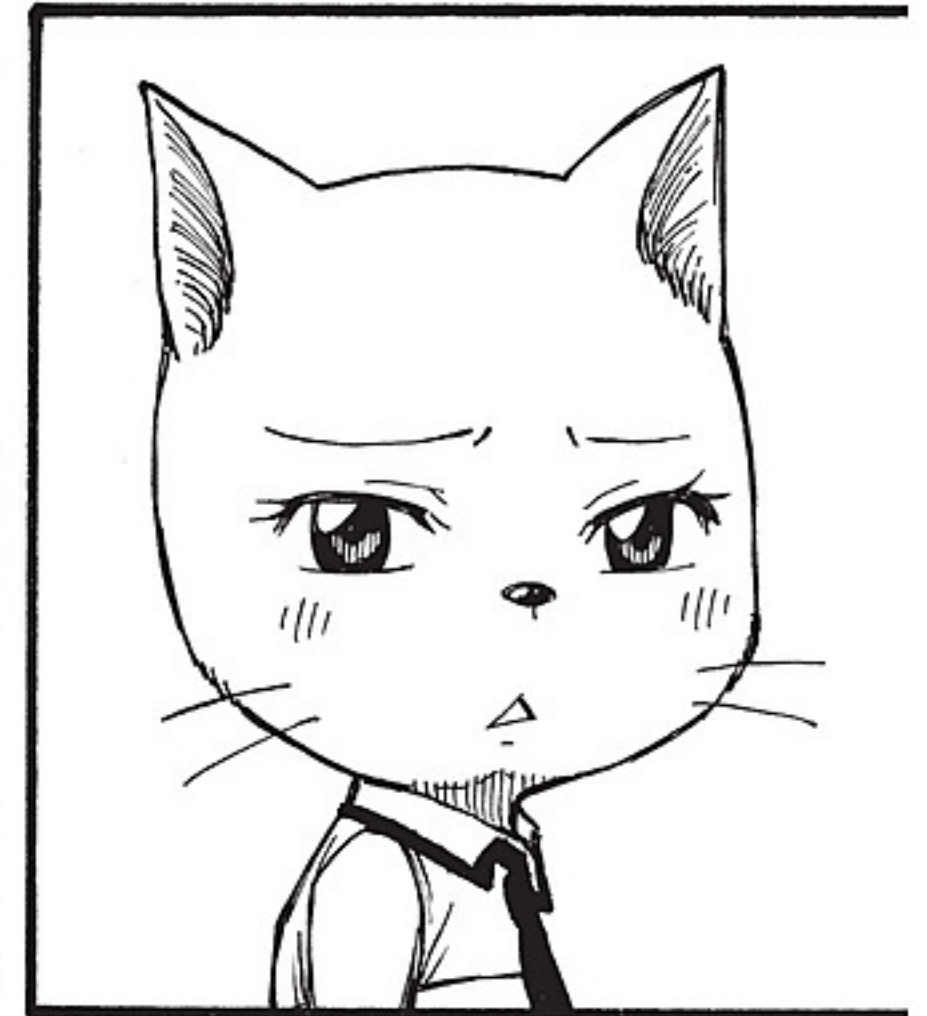








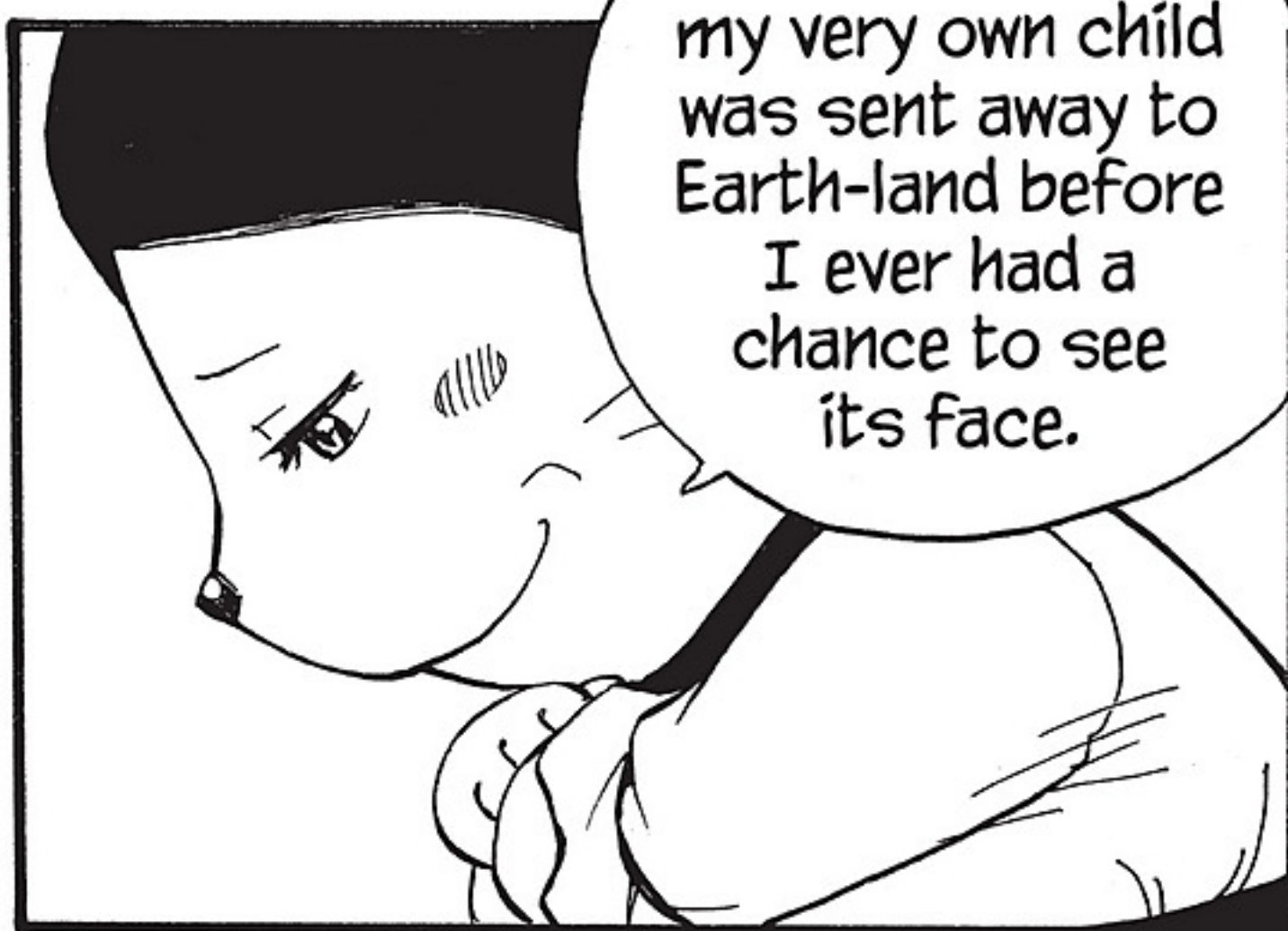




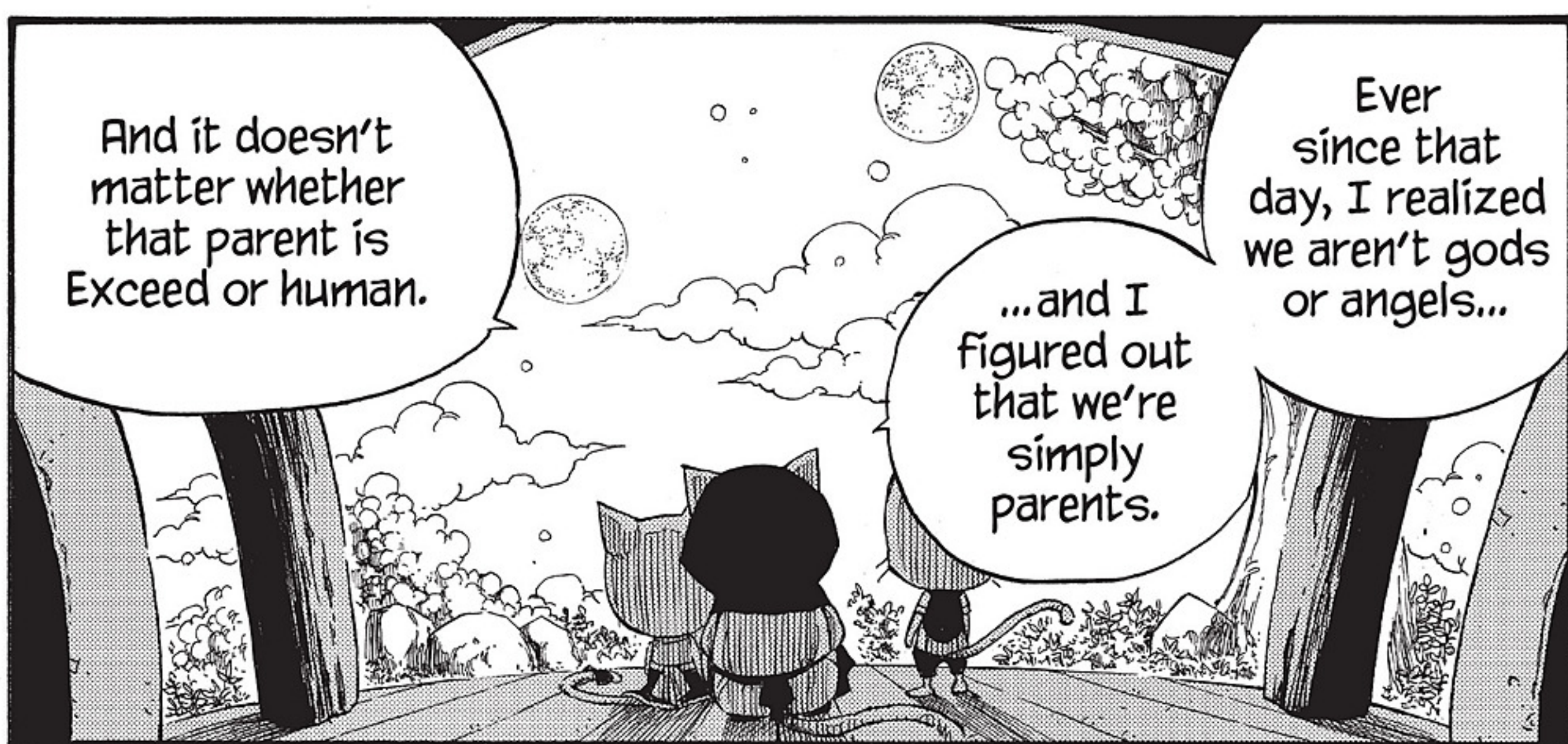




We were against the plan, and that's why we were chased away.



That was when my very own child was sent away to Earth-land before I ever had a chance to see its face.



And it doesn't matter whether that parent is Exceed or human.

...and I figured out that we're simply parents.

Ever since that day, I realized we aren't gods or angels...



Oh, dear.

And how long do you two intend to loaf around here?!

Didn't I tell you not to go telling those awful stories?!

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a  
a  
a  
h  
!!!!

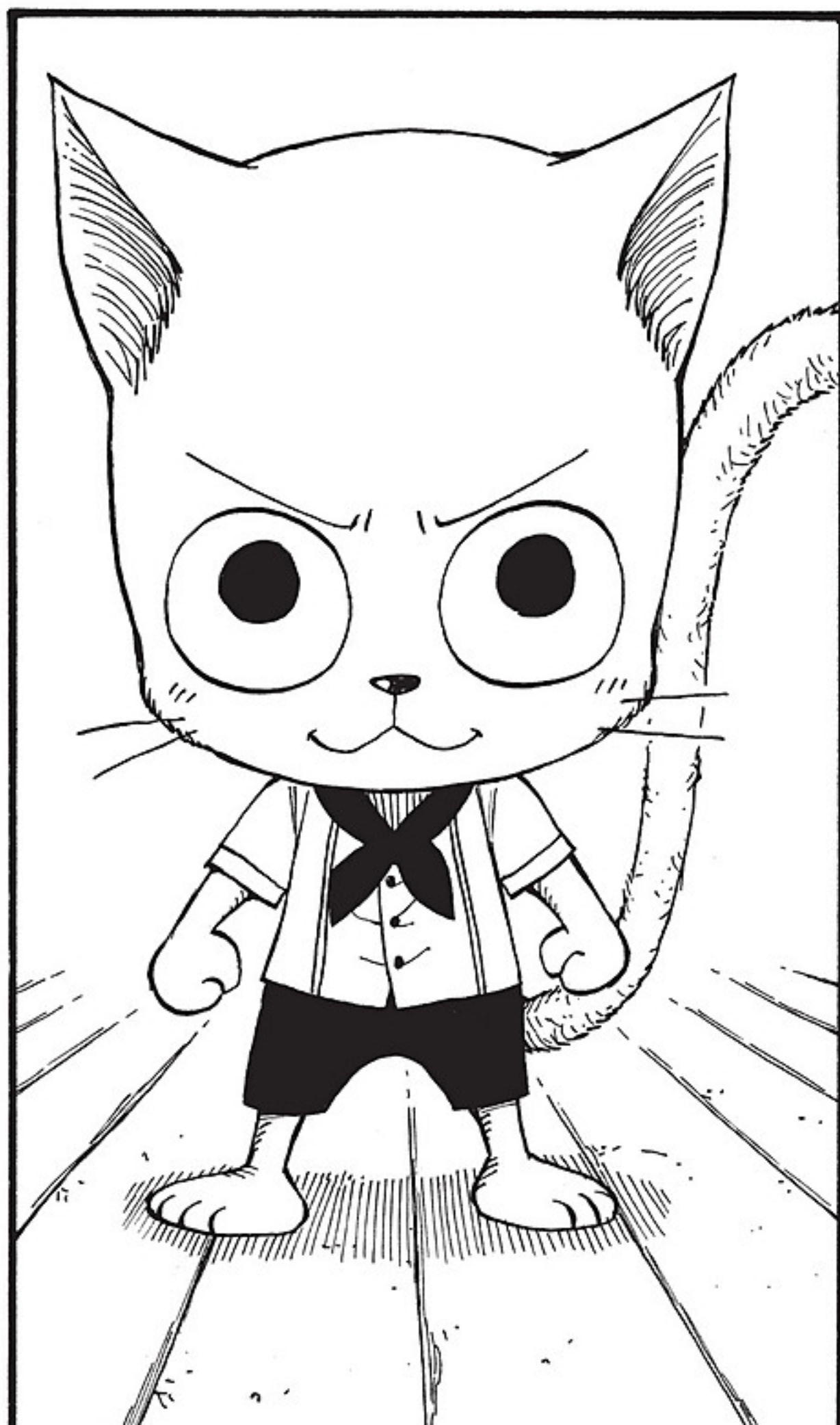
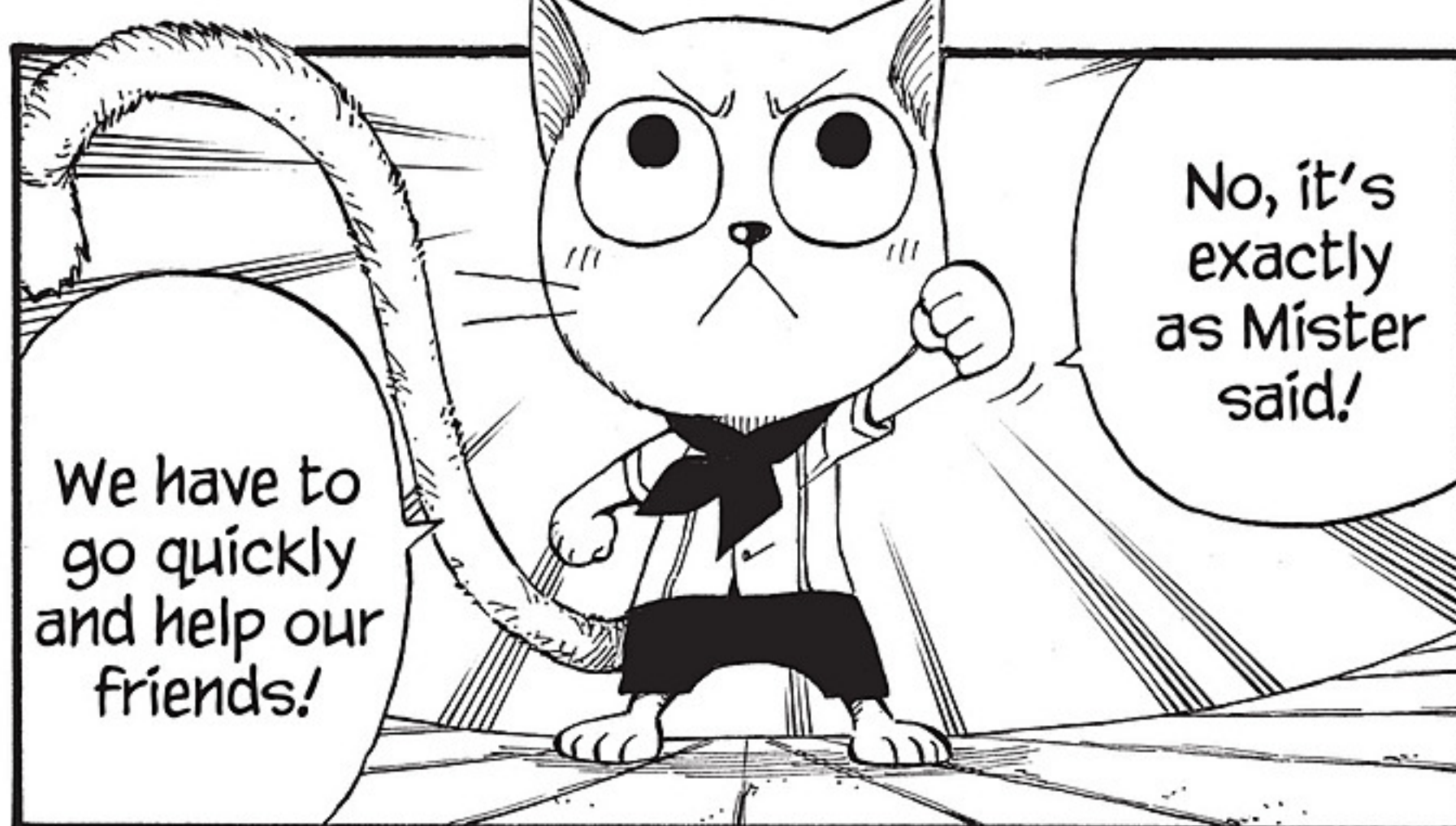
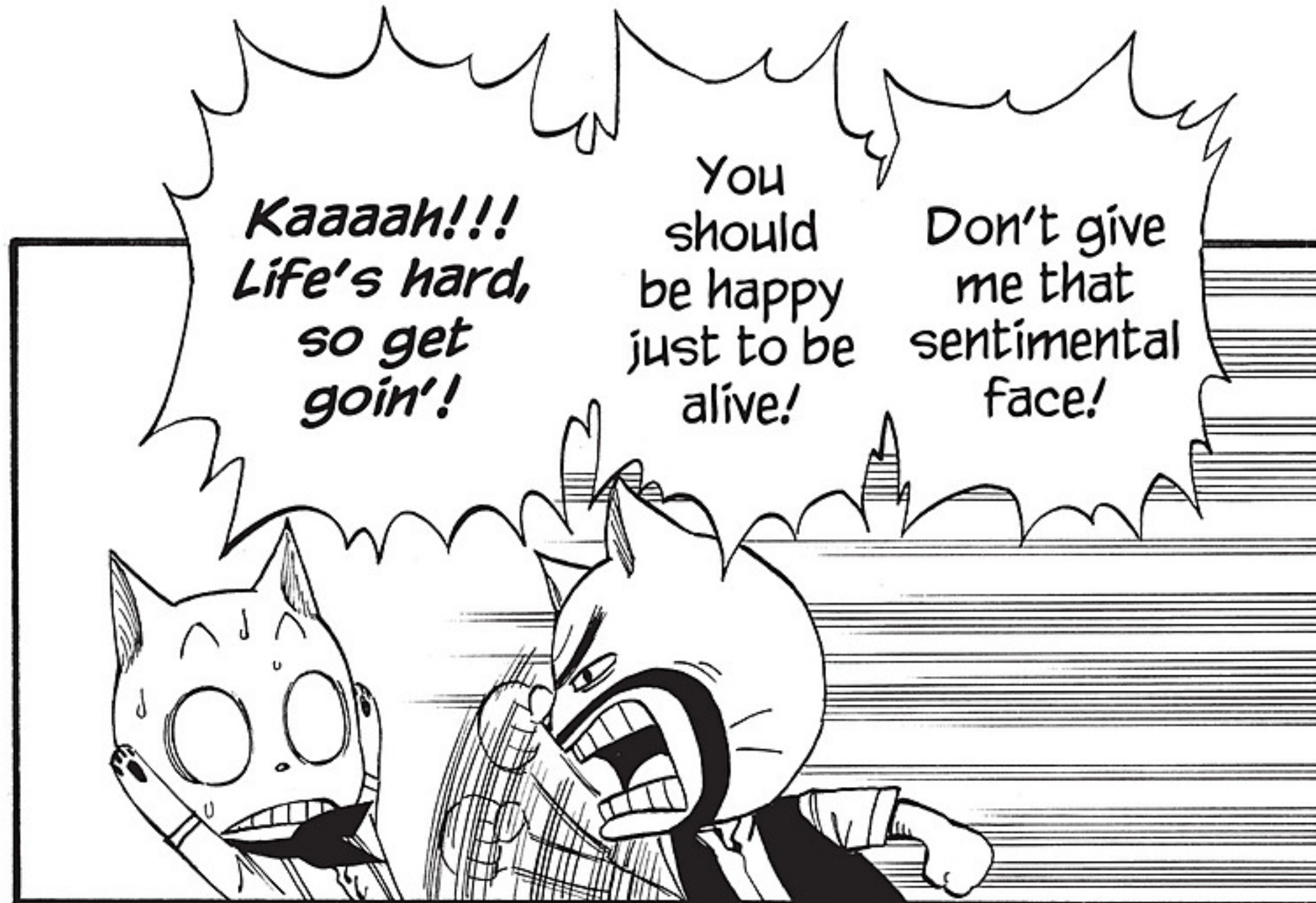


My husband may growl a bit, but he feels the same as I do.

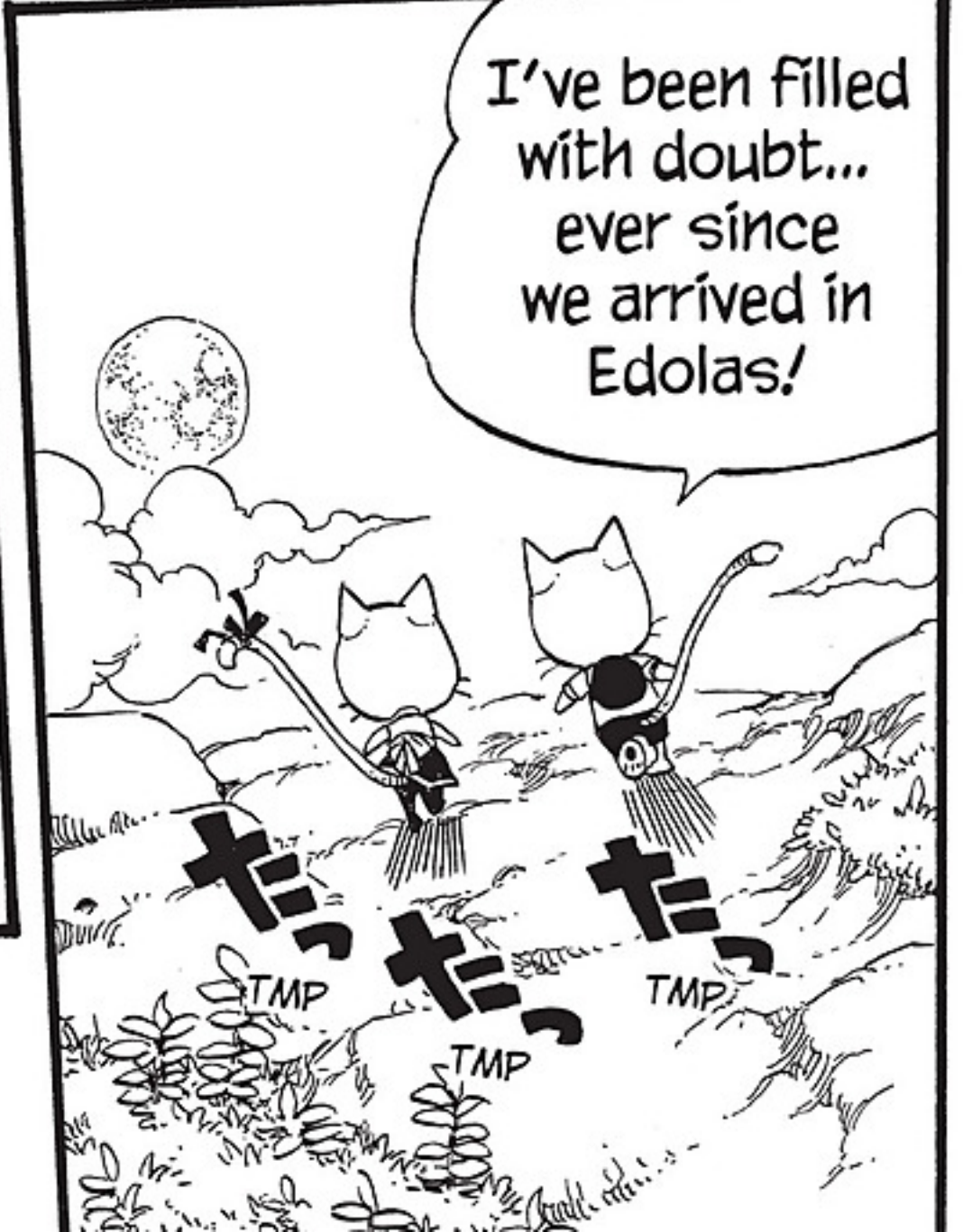
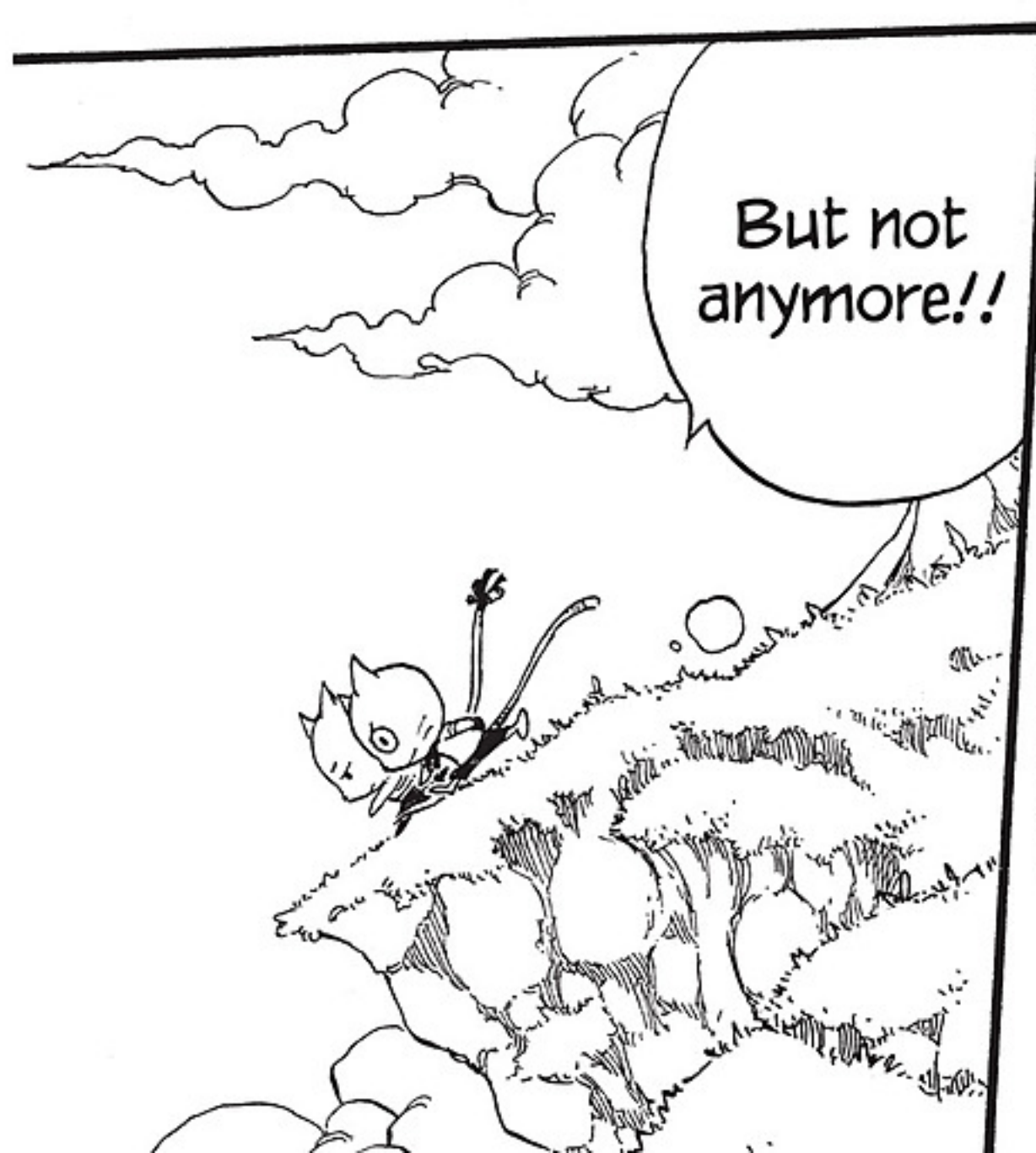
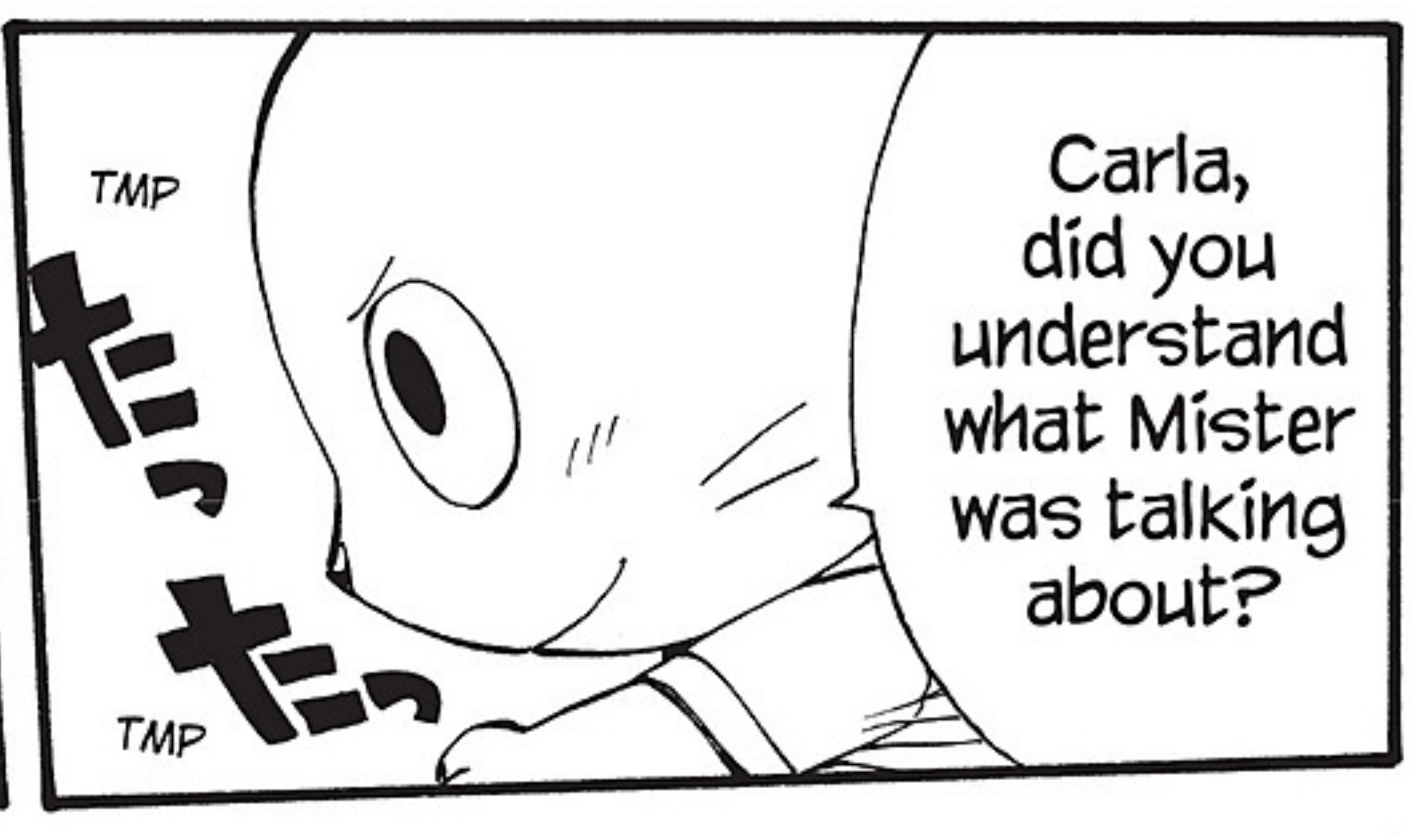
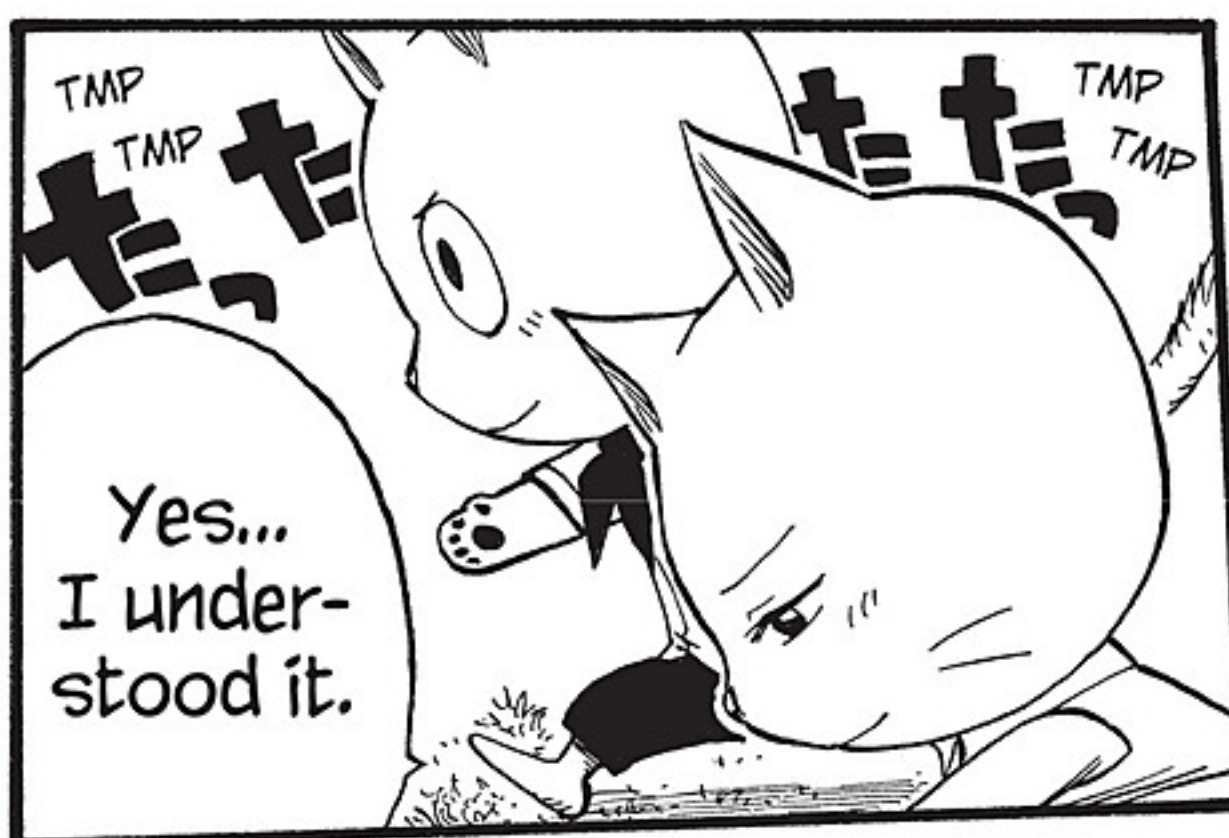
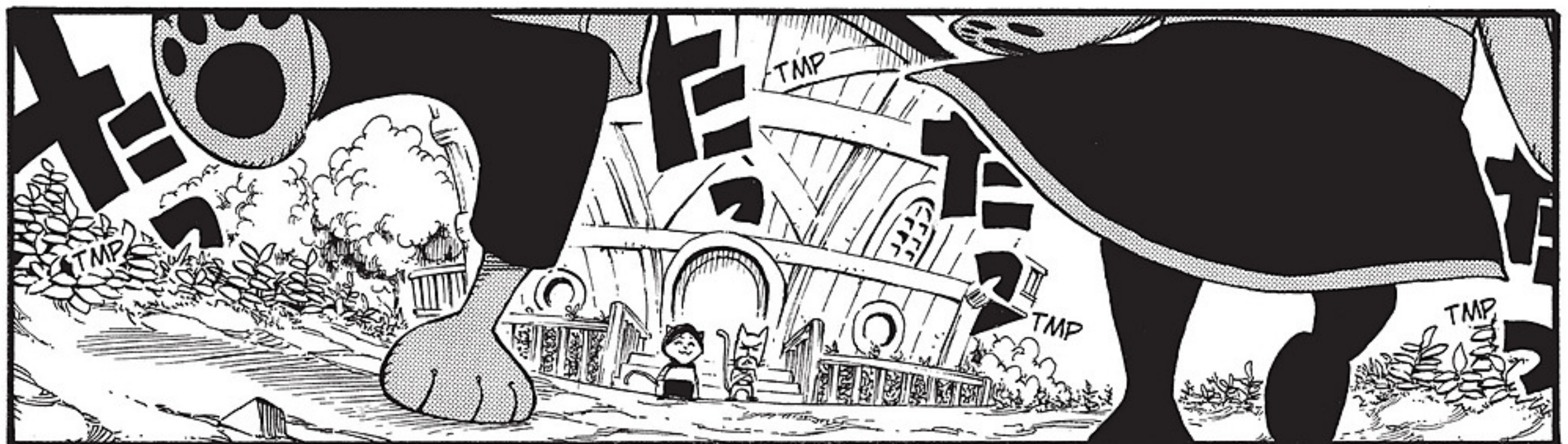
STOMP

STOMP











Now we  
have to  
fly!!!!

Because  
now we  
have to  
go!!!!

...were  
the  
doubts  
in our  
own  
hearts!

The only  
thing  
that  
kept us  
from  
using  
it...

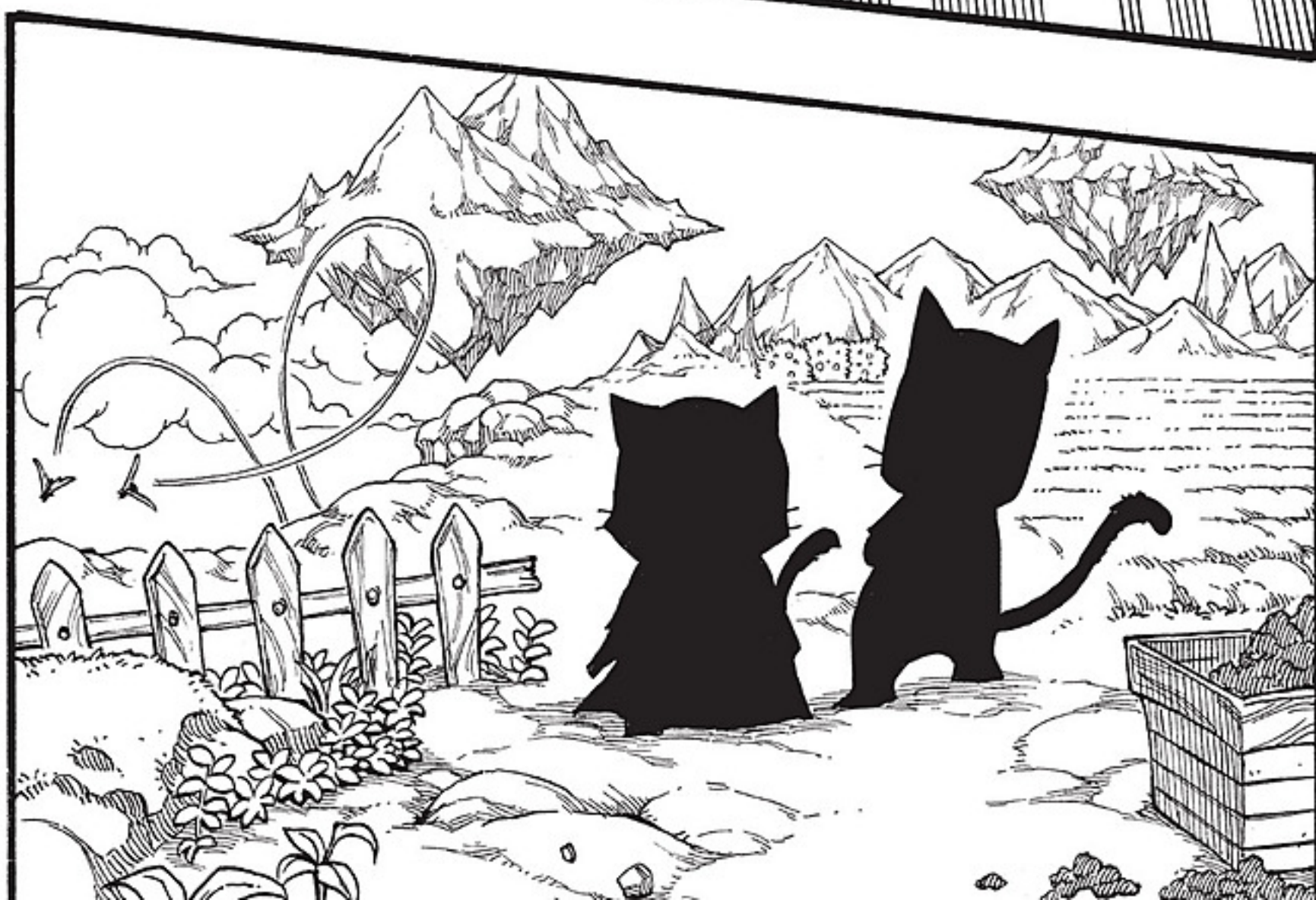
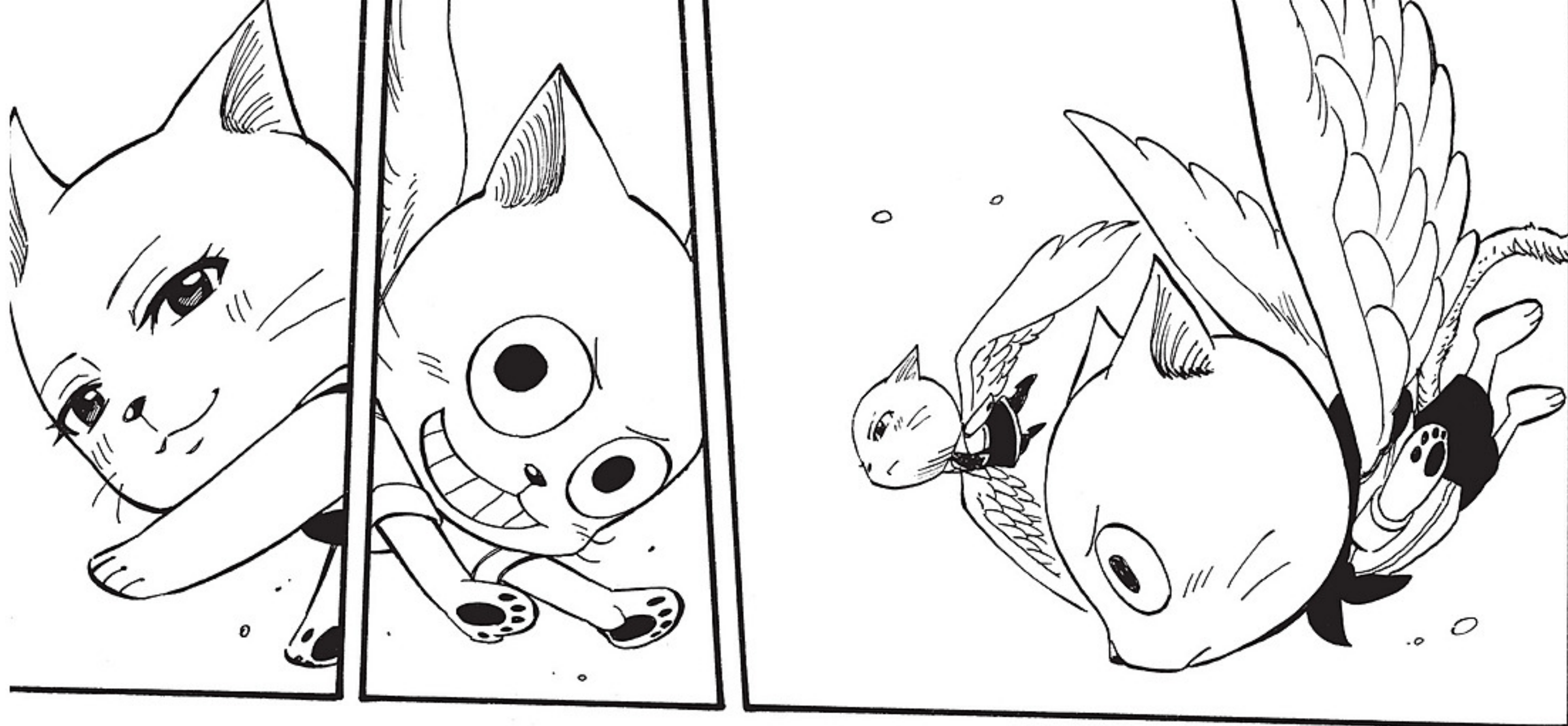
We are the  
only race  
in this  
world that  
has magic  
within us!

We are  
Exceed!

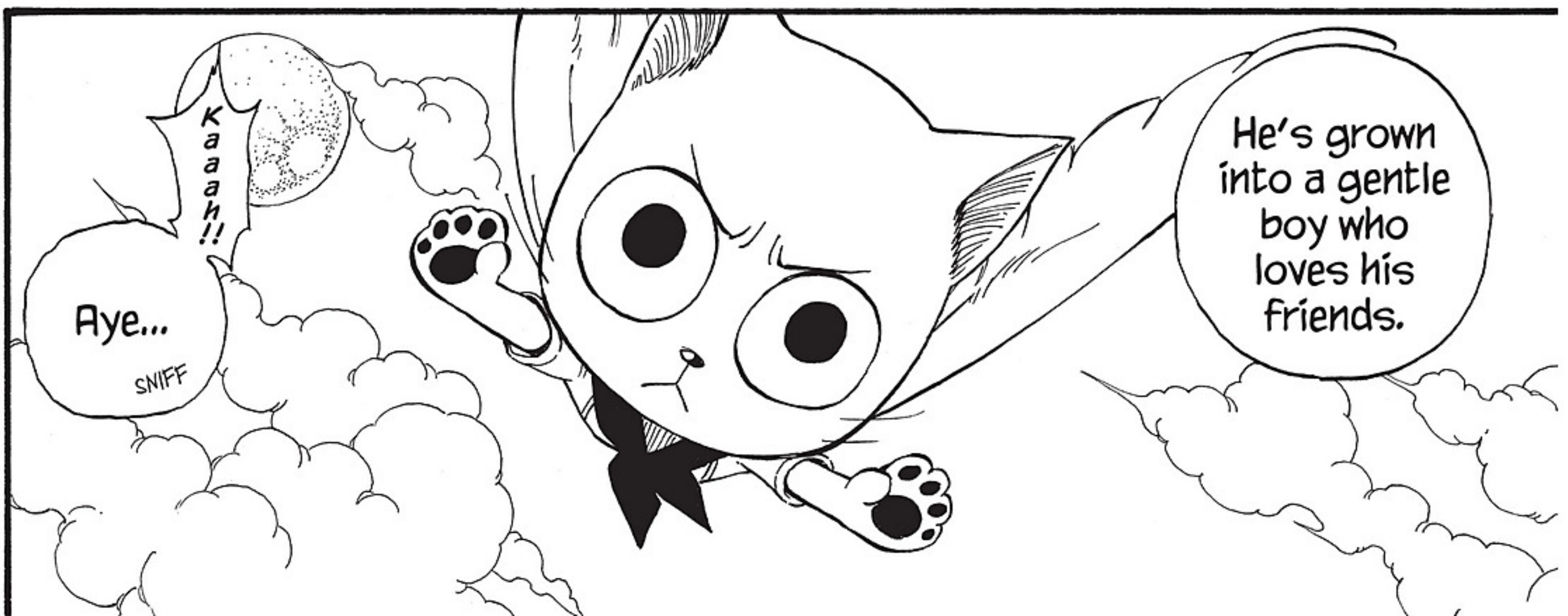
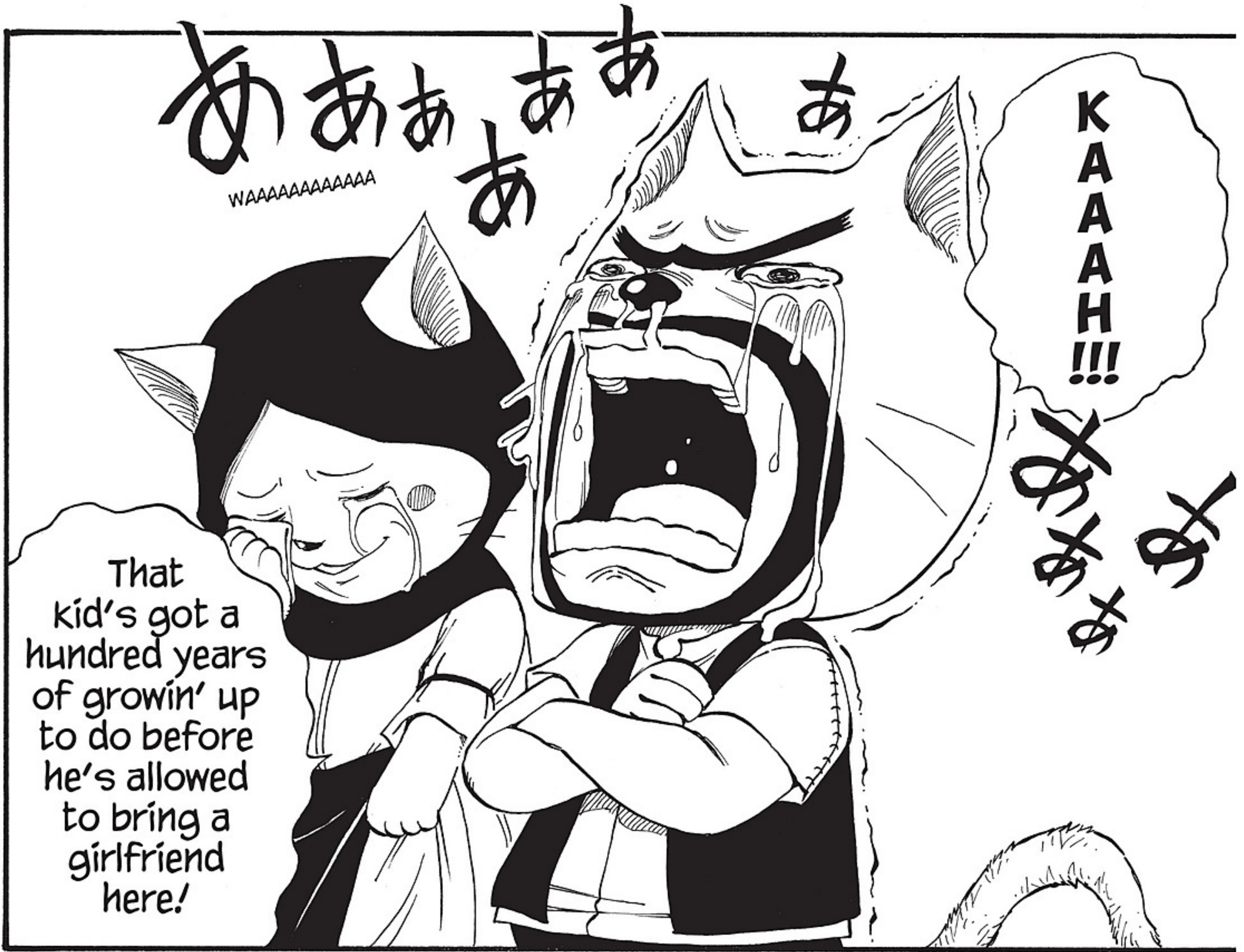
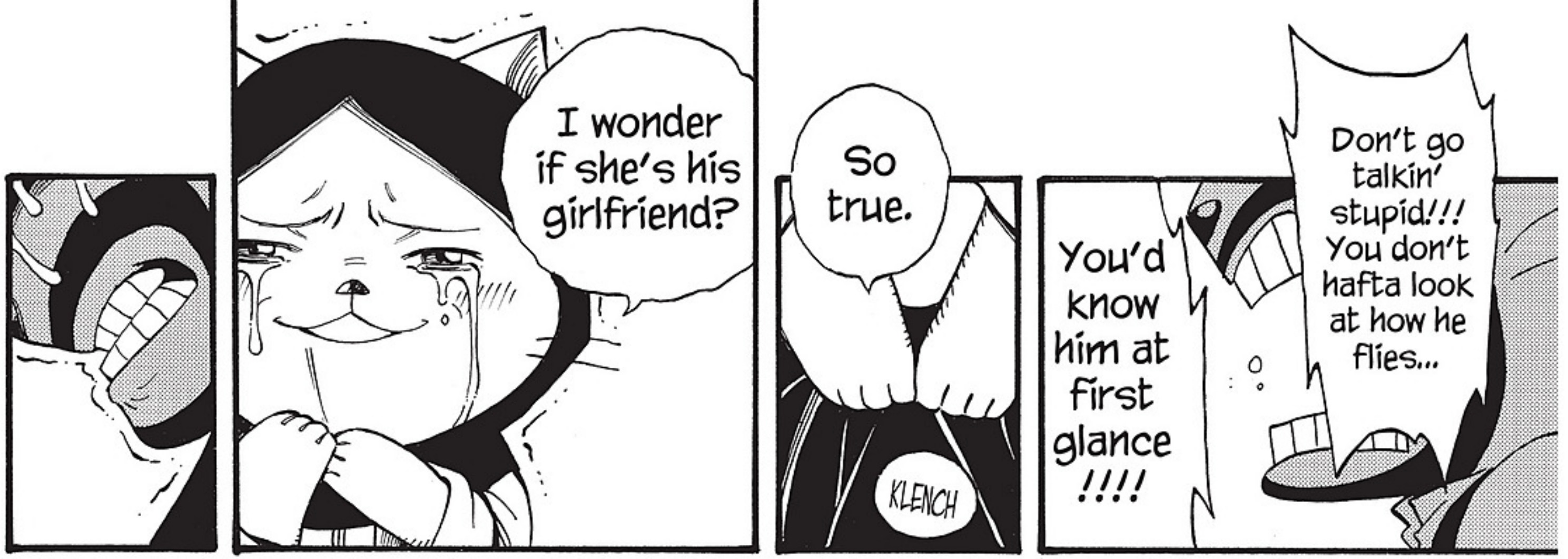
...that's  
when our  
wings propel  
us forward!

But now look...  
When we can  
finally see the  
true shape of  
our hearts...











# Fairy Tail

フェアリーテイル

## Chapter 178: Because I'm By Your Side







The wizardsh  
of Earth-land  
all have magic  
within them!

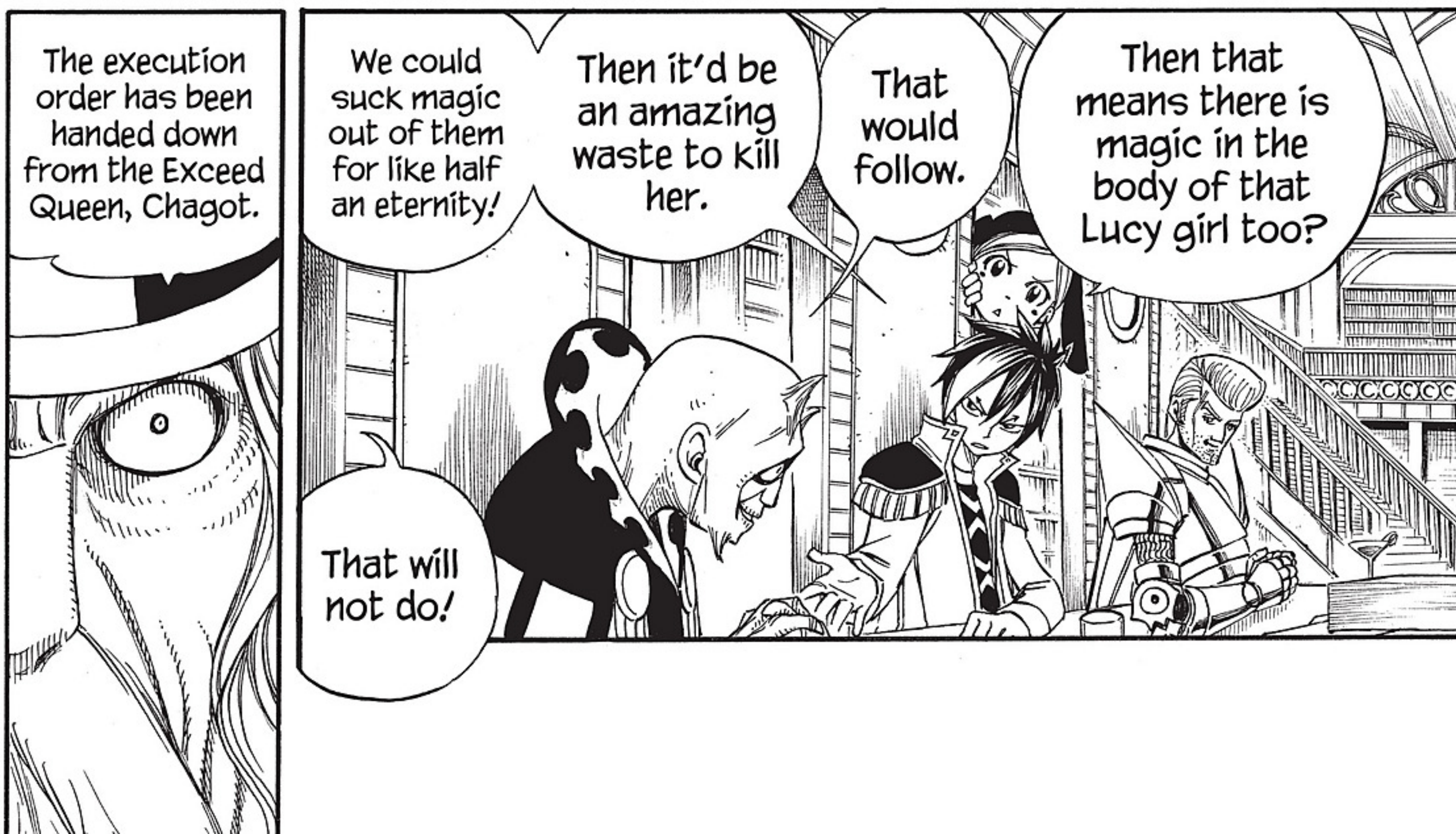
Hesh hesh  
hesh... It  
ish like the  
legendsh  
shay!



But their  
magic far  
surpasshes the  
Exsheed!

Mmm...  
It's almost  
like they're  
Exceed.

Hmph.



The execution  
order has been  
handed down  
from the Exceed  
Queen, Chagot.

We could  
suck magic  
out of them  
for like half  
an eternity!

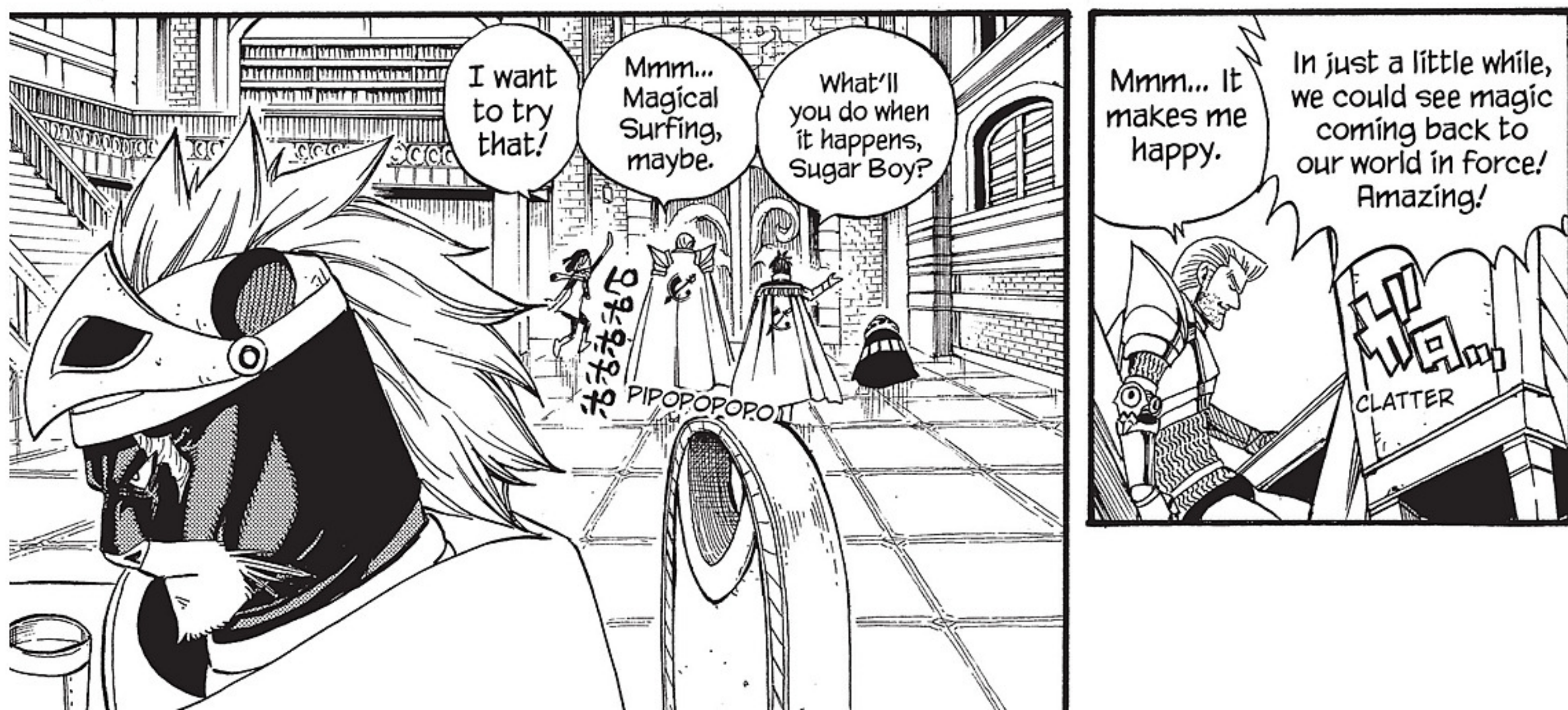
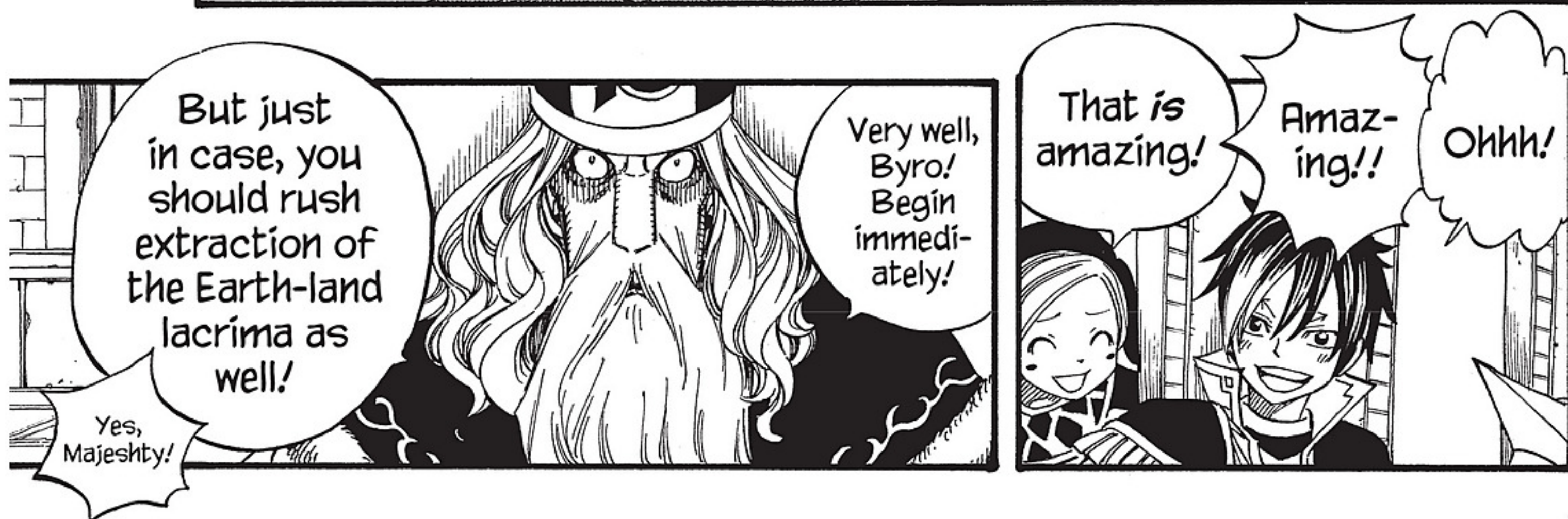
Then it'd be  
an amazing  
waste to kill  
her.

That  
would  
follow.

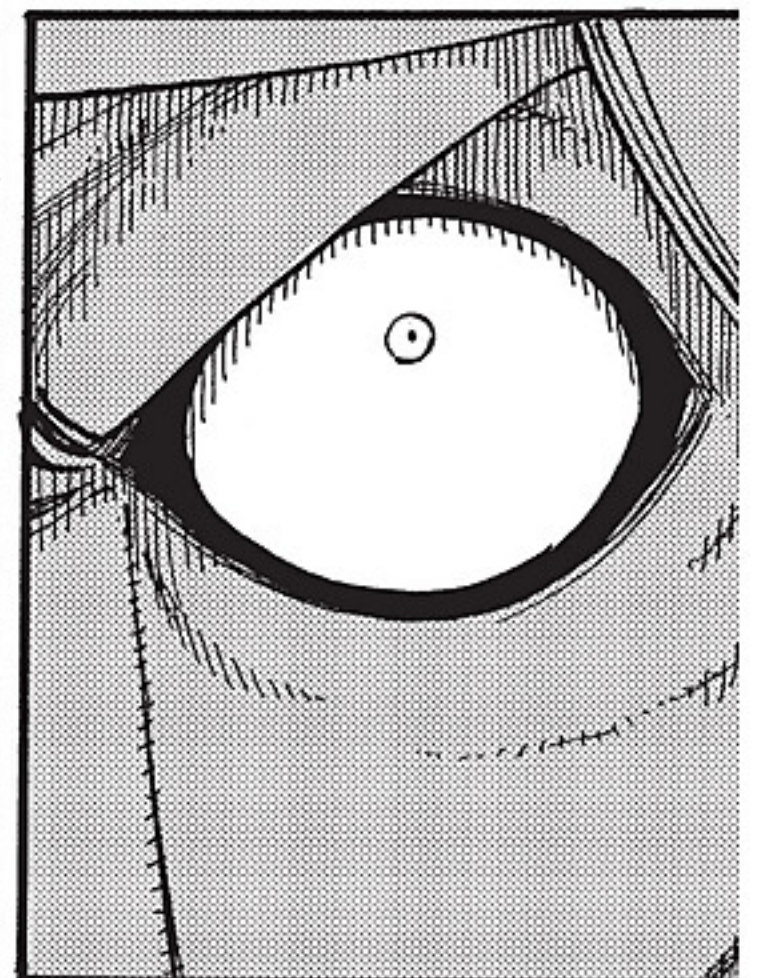
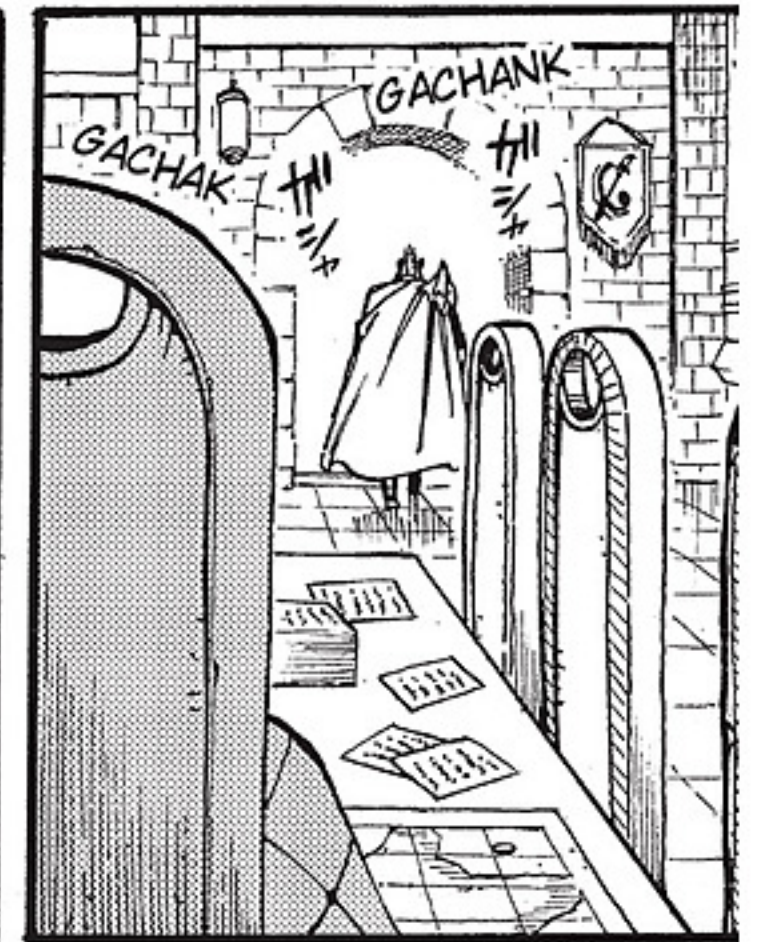
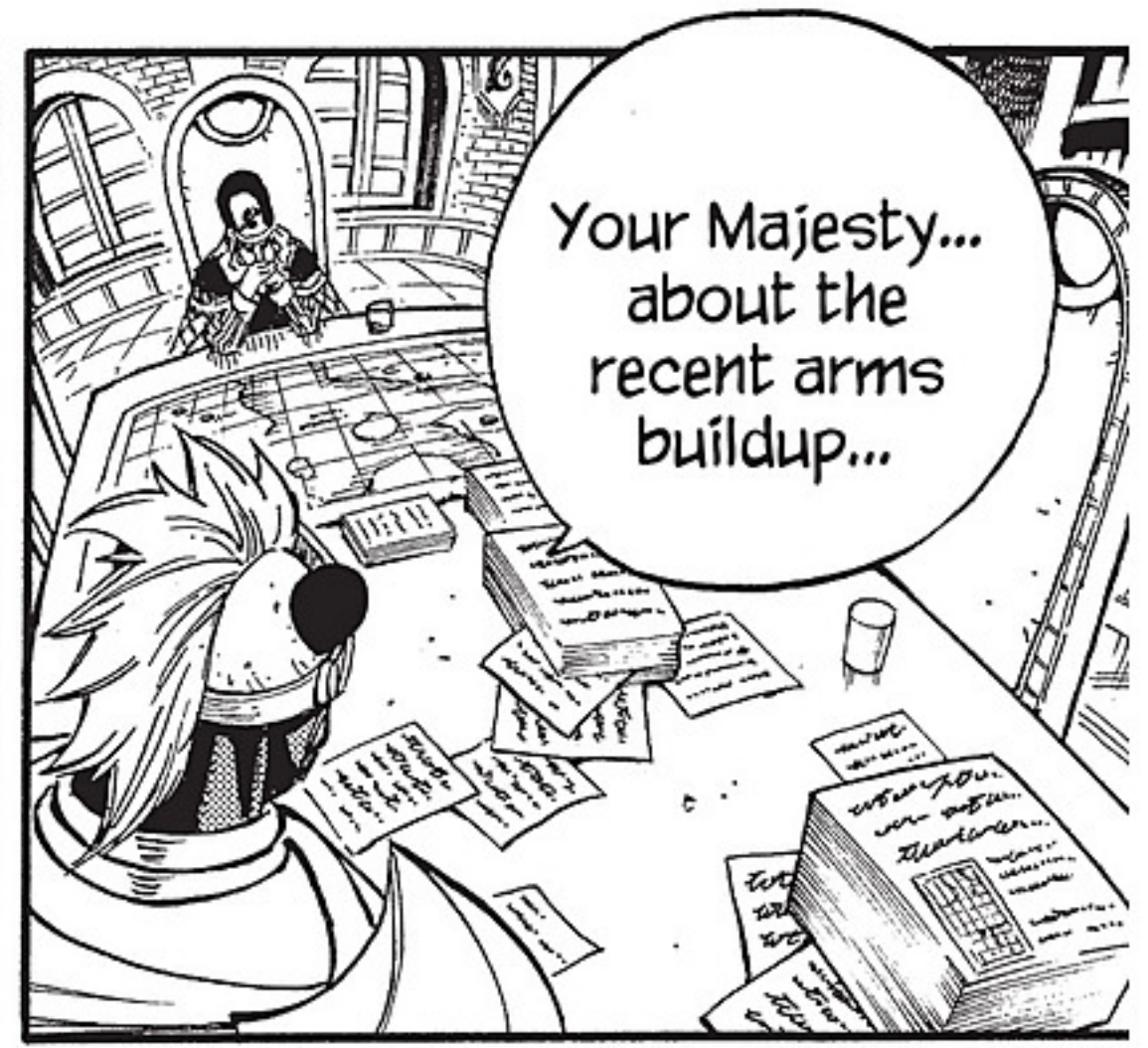
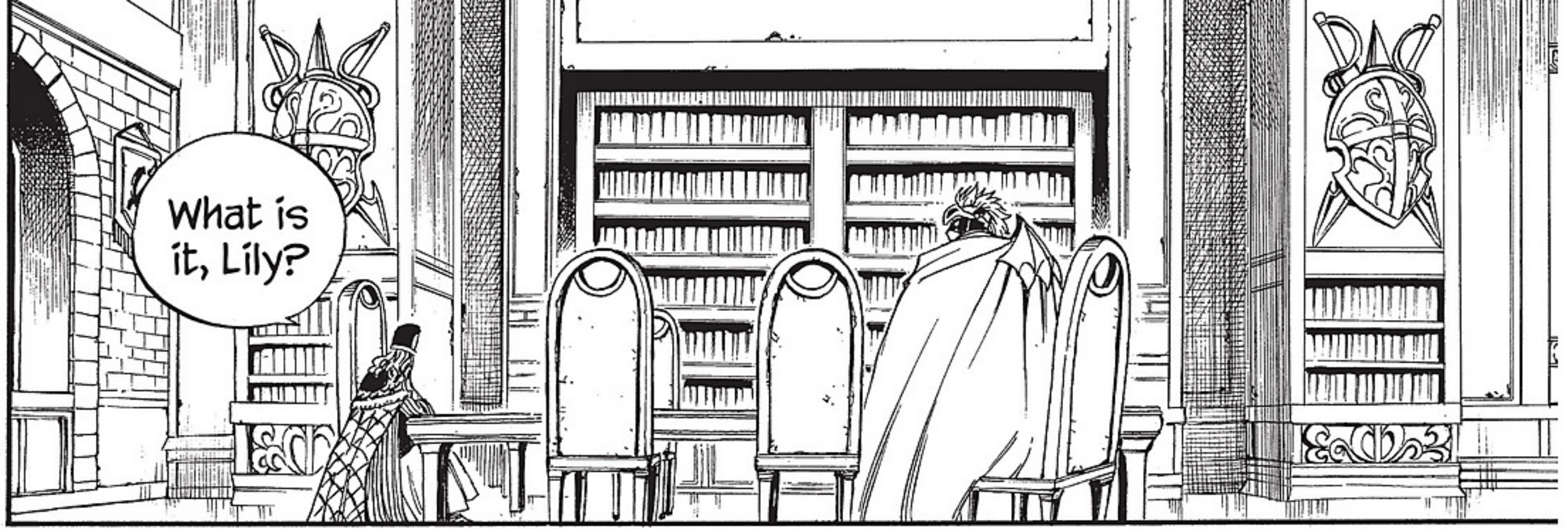
Then that  
means there is  
magic in the  
body of that  
Lucy girl too?

That will  
not do!

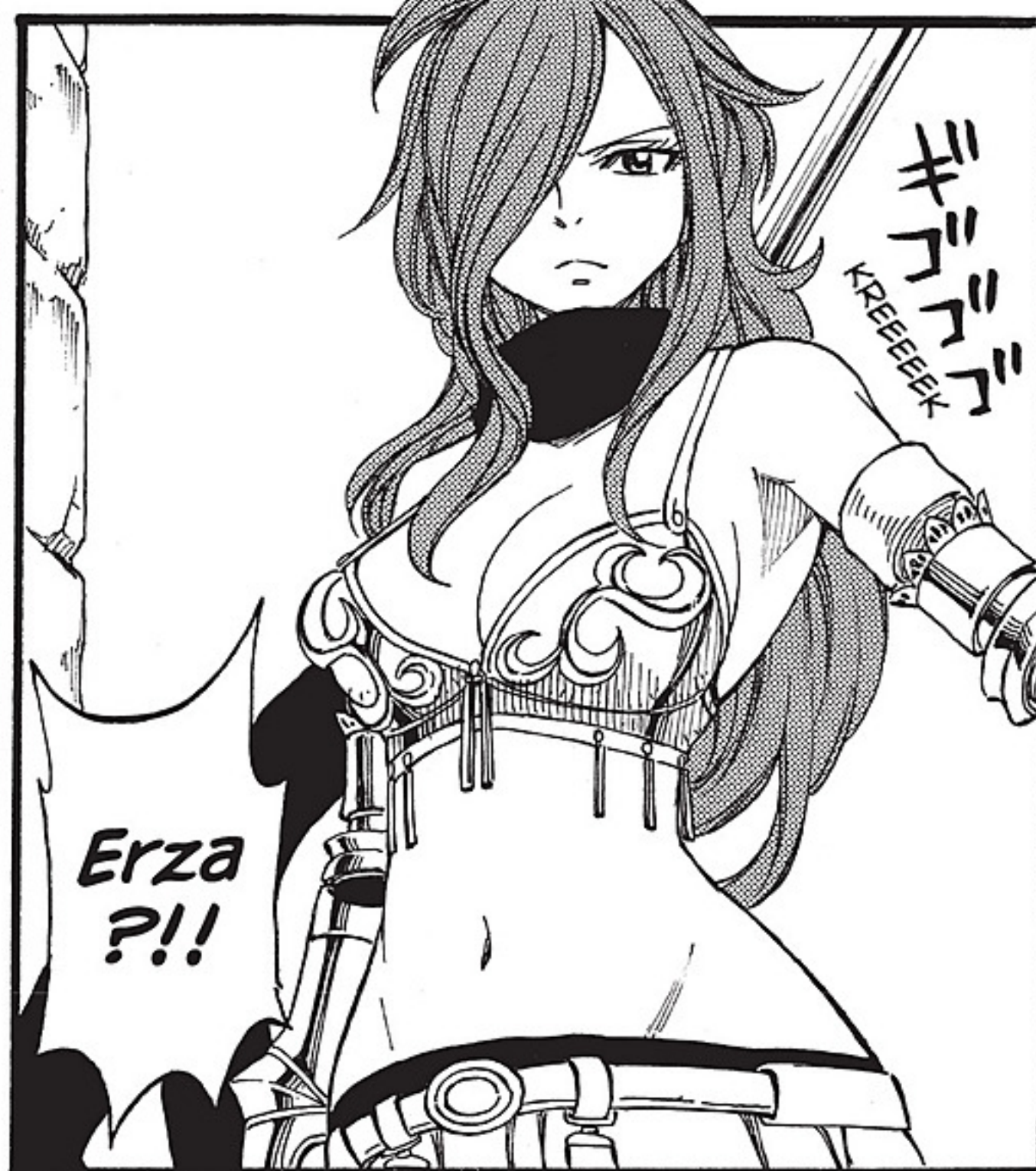




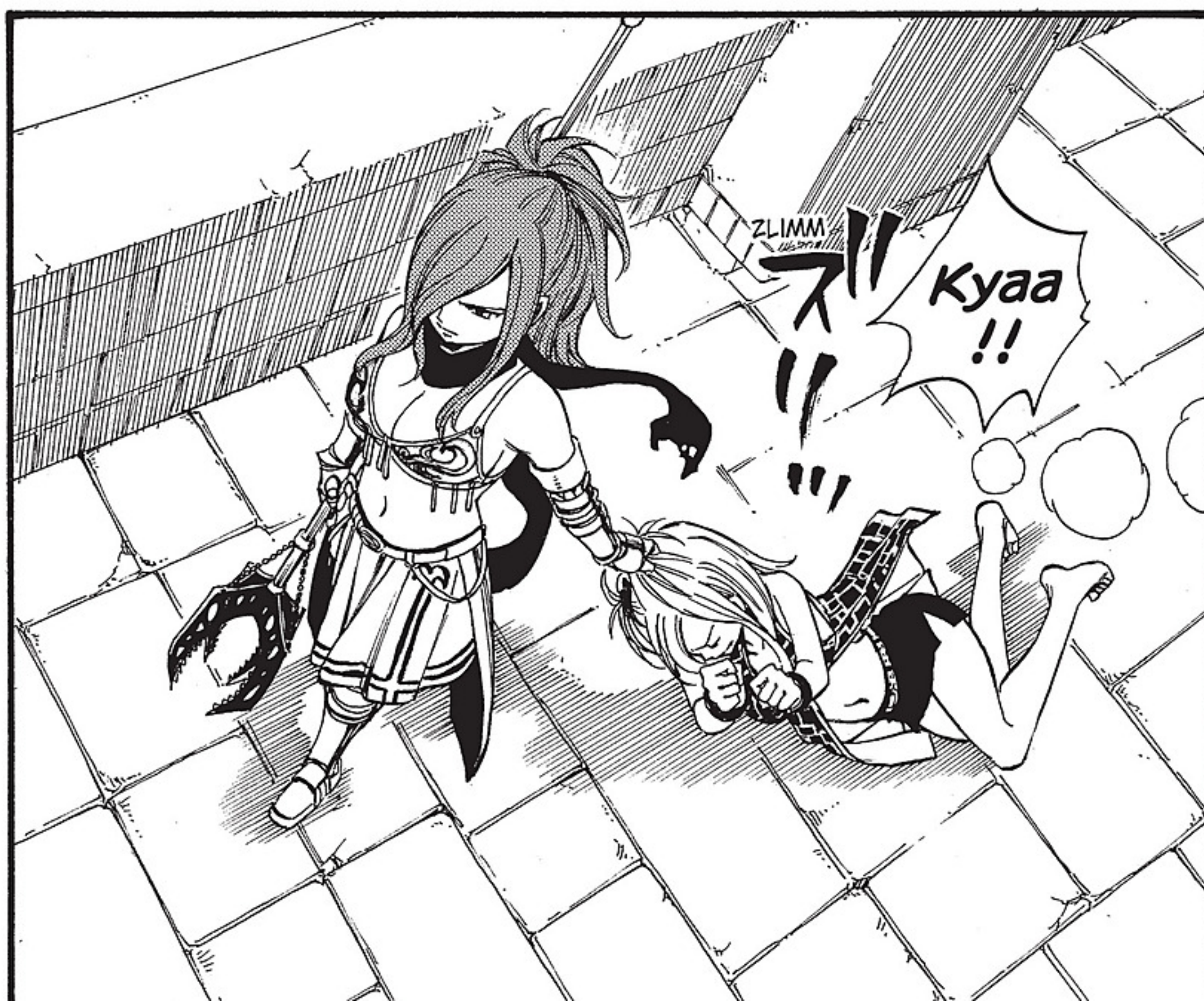
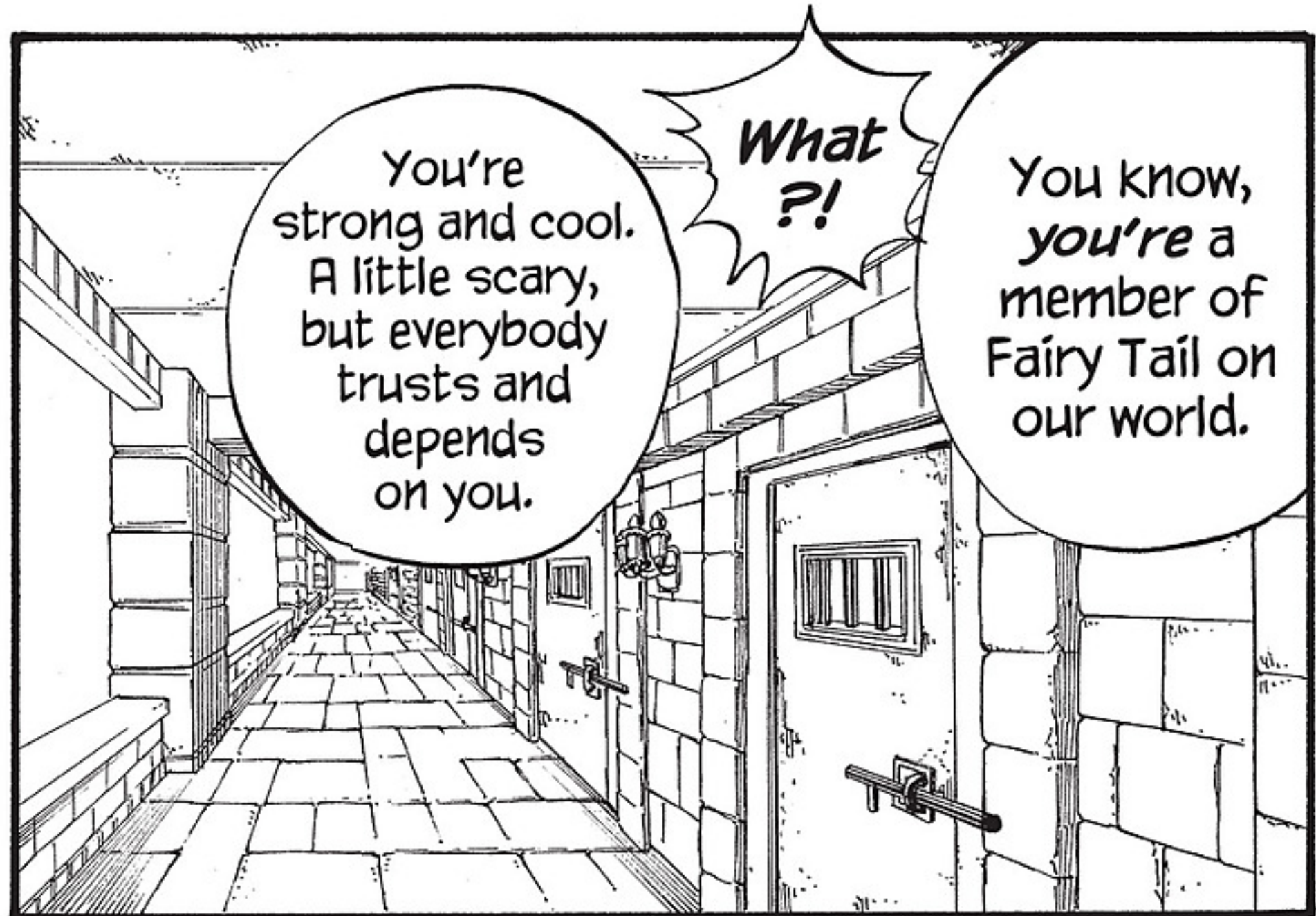
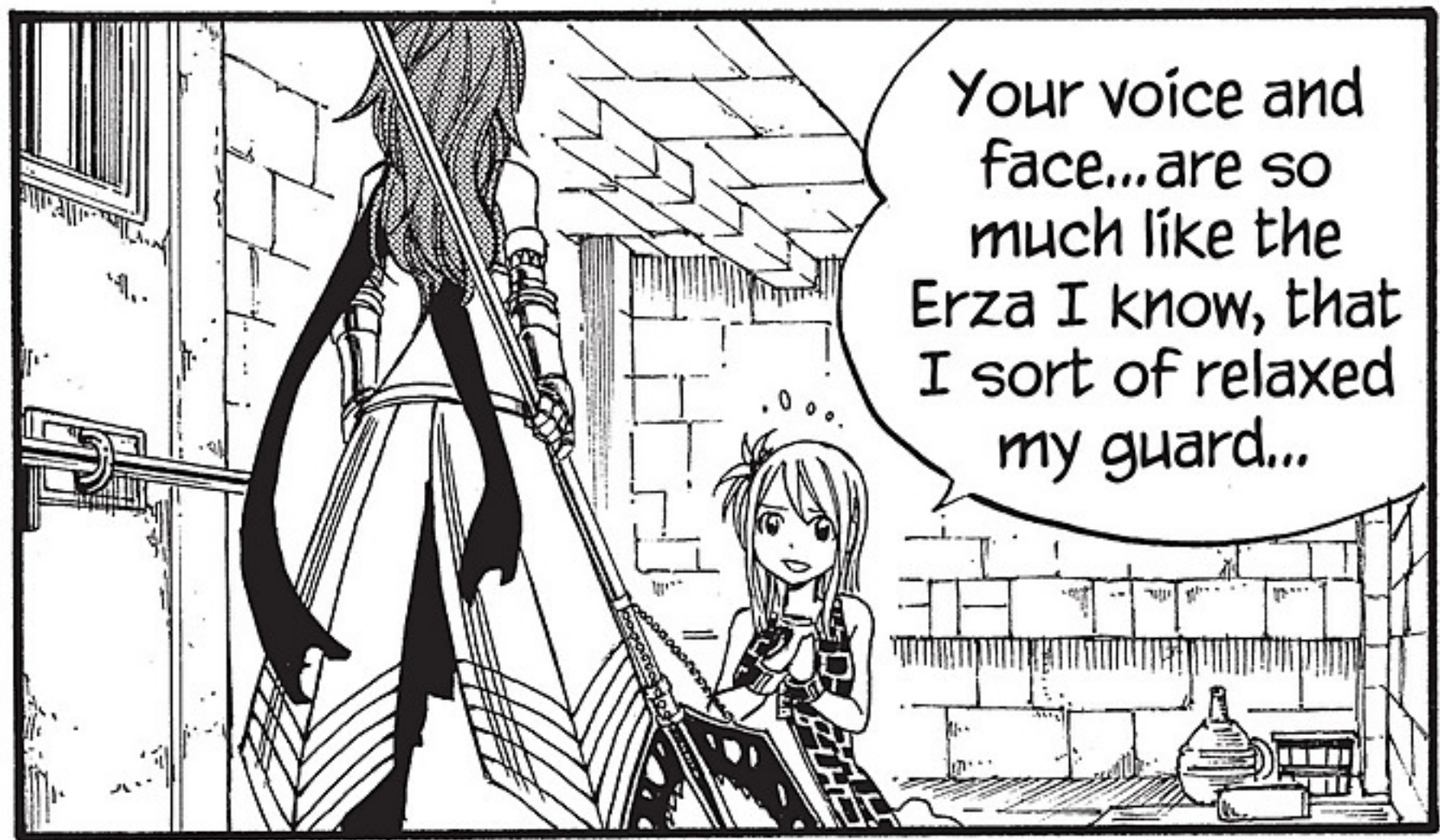










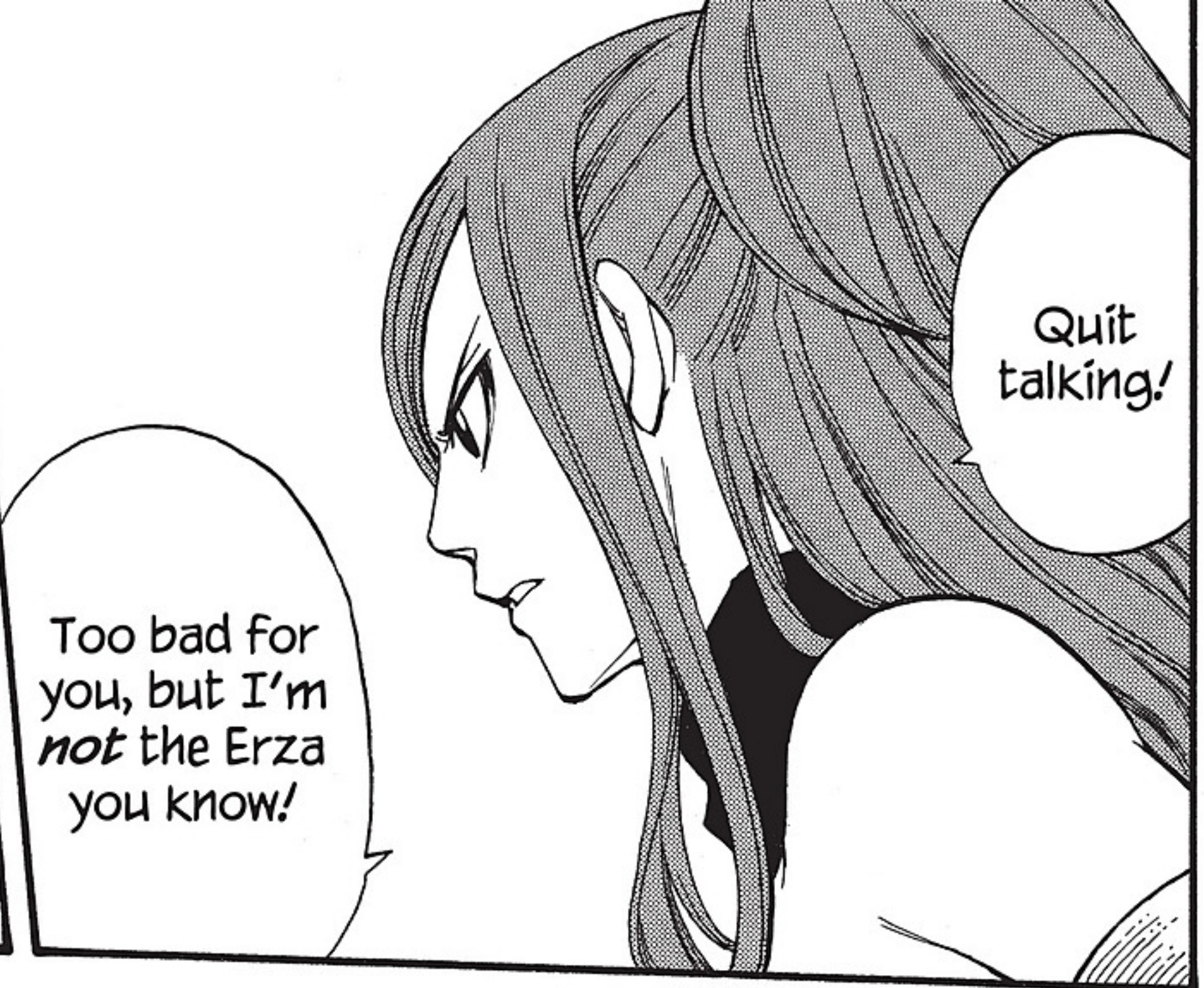






Oww!

That hurts!

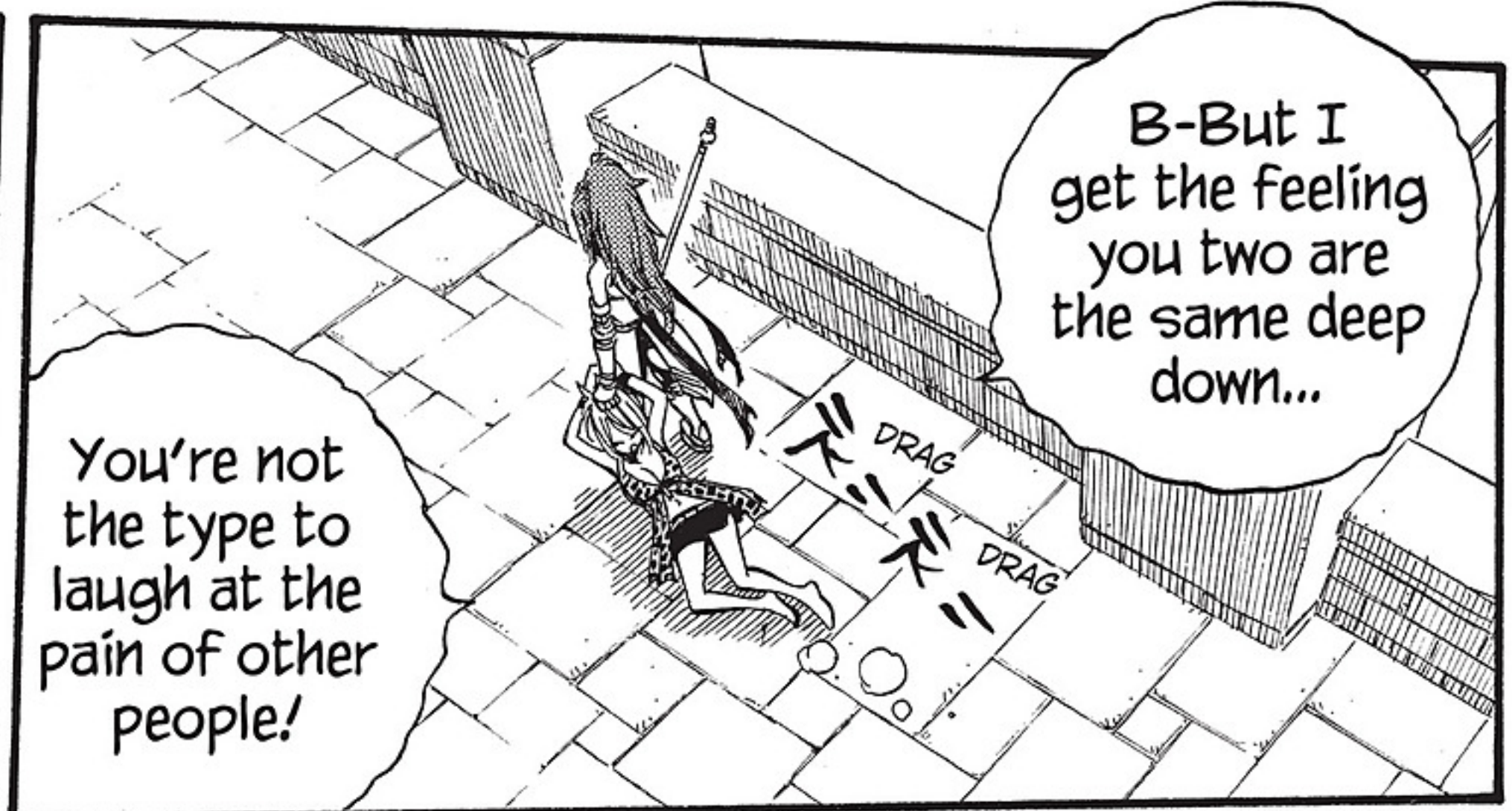


Quit talking!

Too bad for you, but I'm *not* the Erza you know!

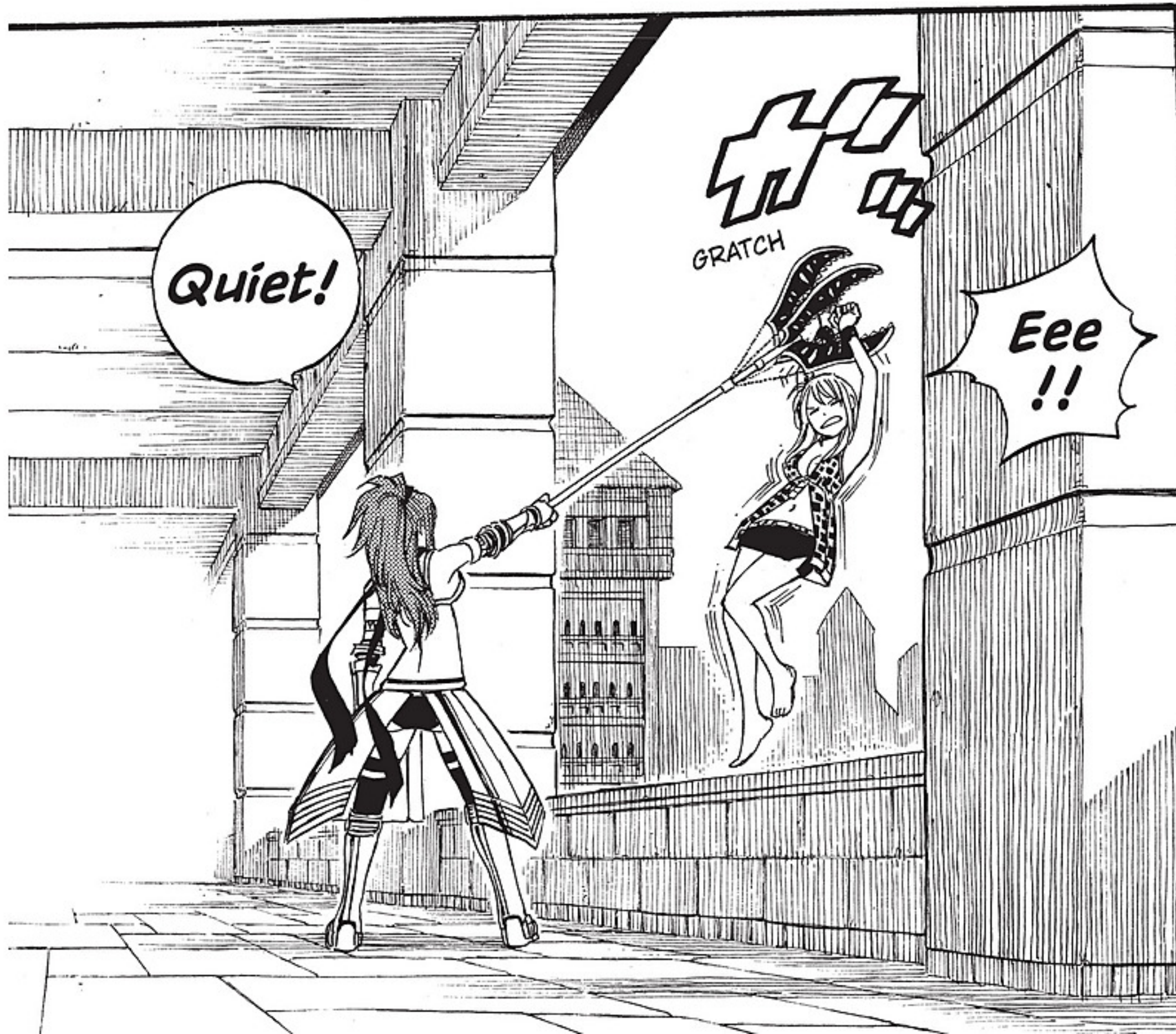


WHAMM



You're not the type to laugh at the pain of other people!

B-But I get the feeling you two are the same deep down...



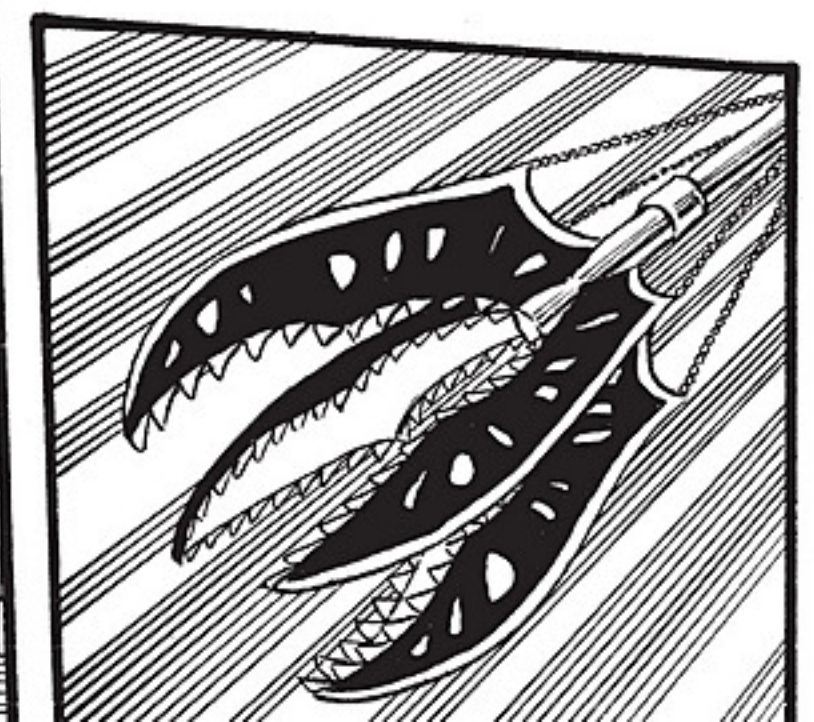
Quiet!

GRATCH

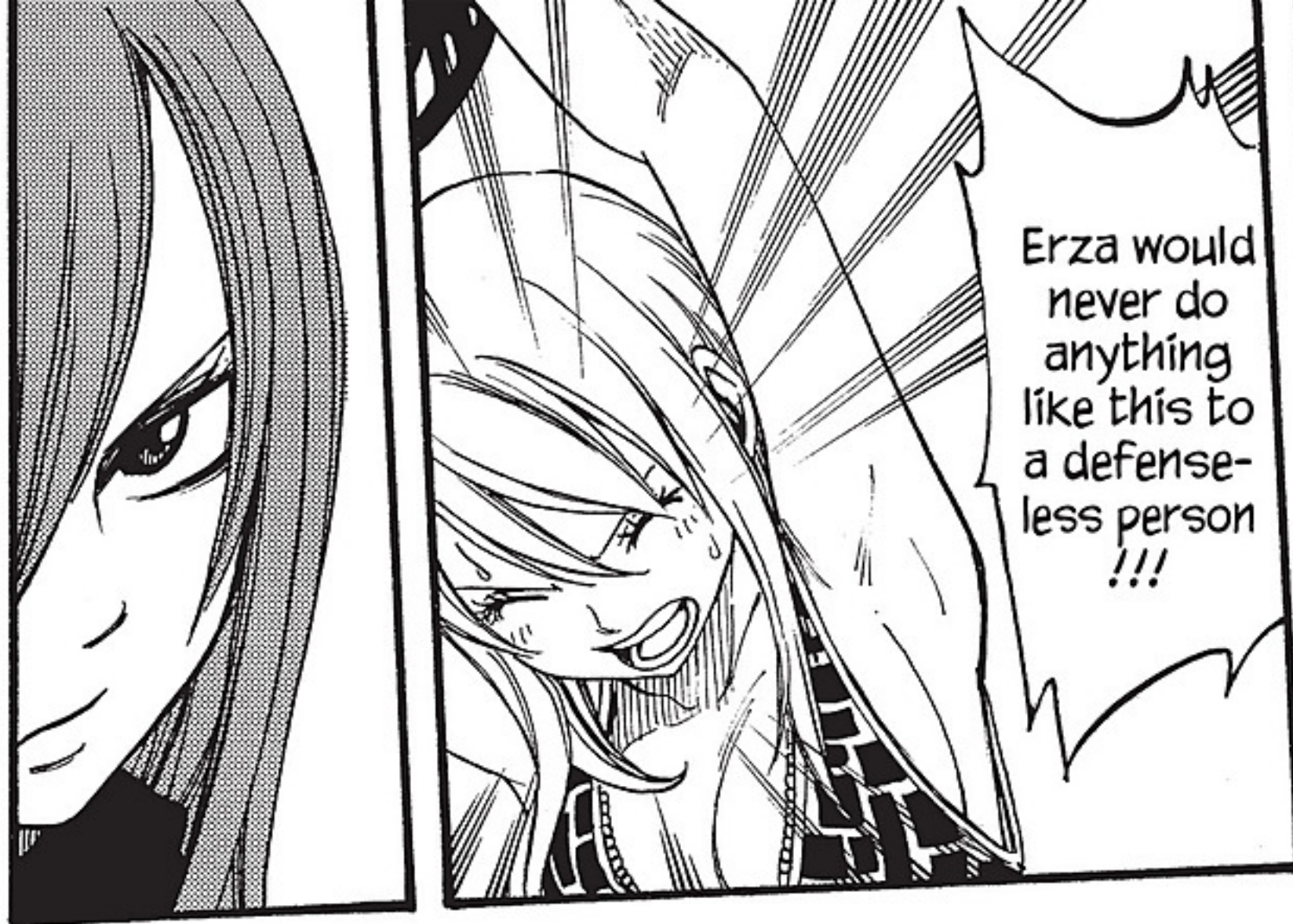
Eee !!

I just want to save my friends' lives!!!

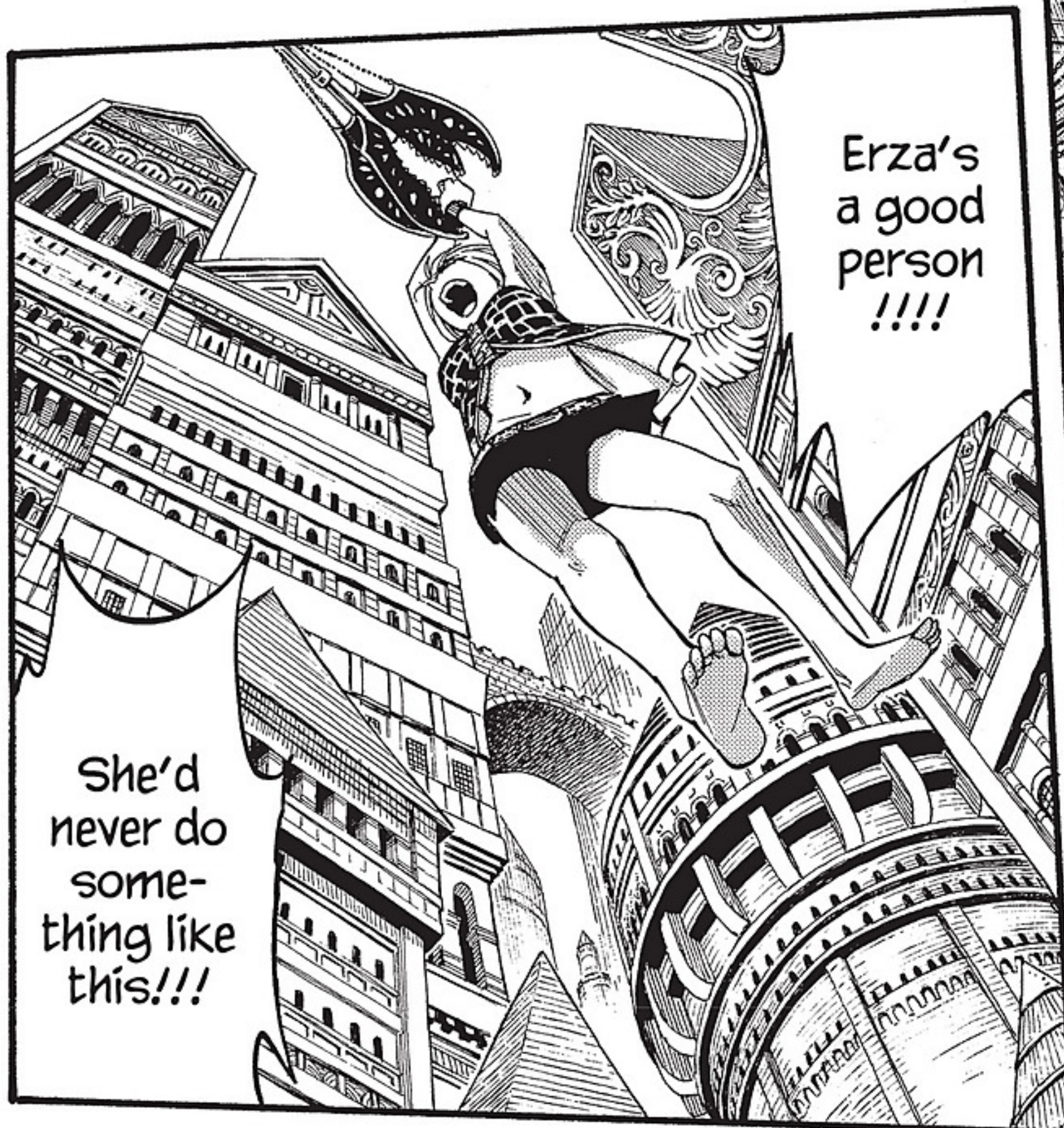
Please!!! Help me!!!







Erza would  
never do  
anything  
like this to  
a defense-  
less person  
!!!



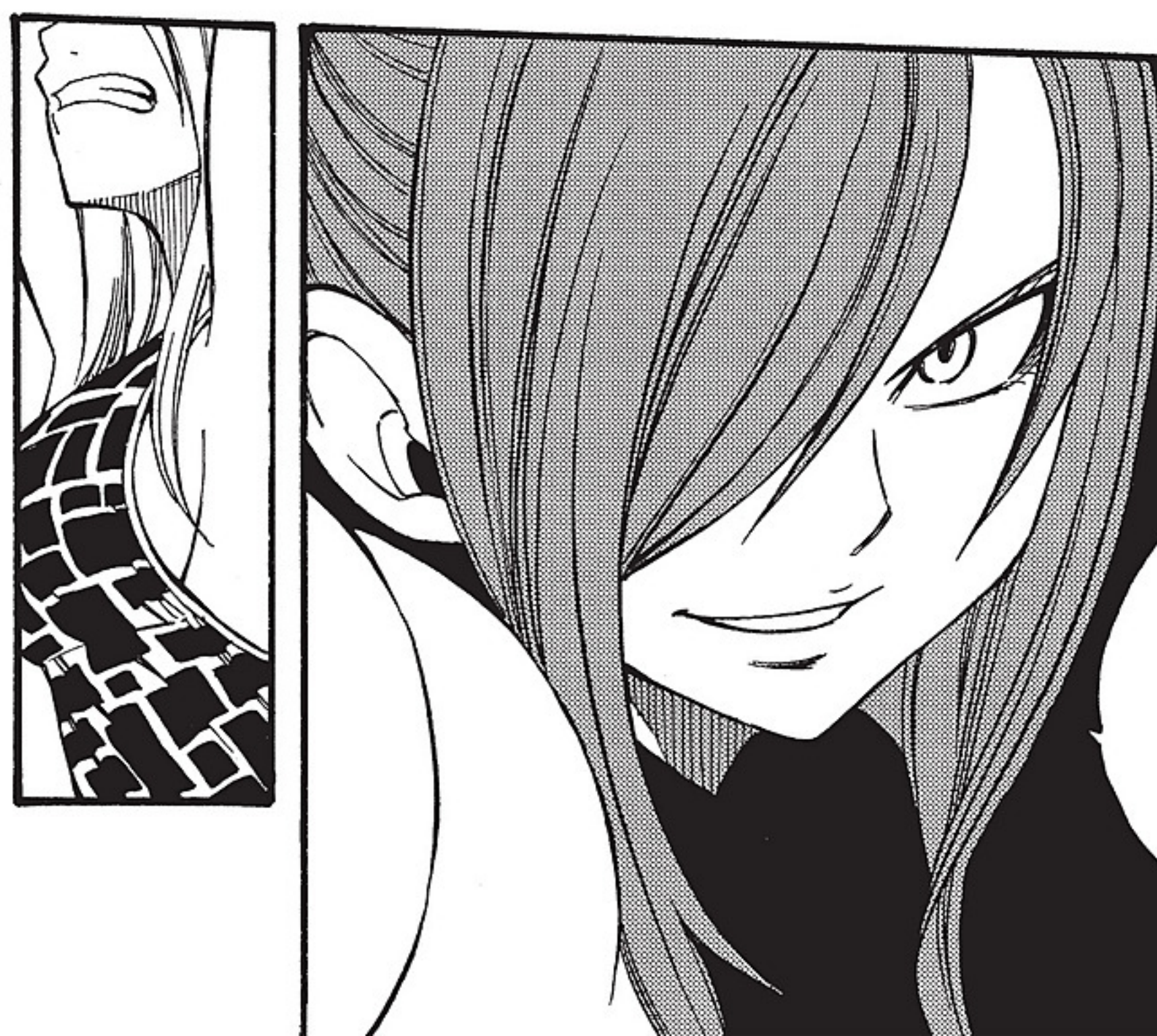
Erza's  
a good  
person  
!!!!

She'd  
never do  
some-  
thing like  
this!!!



Wait  
...!!!

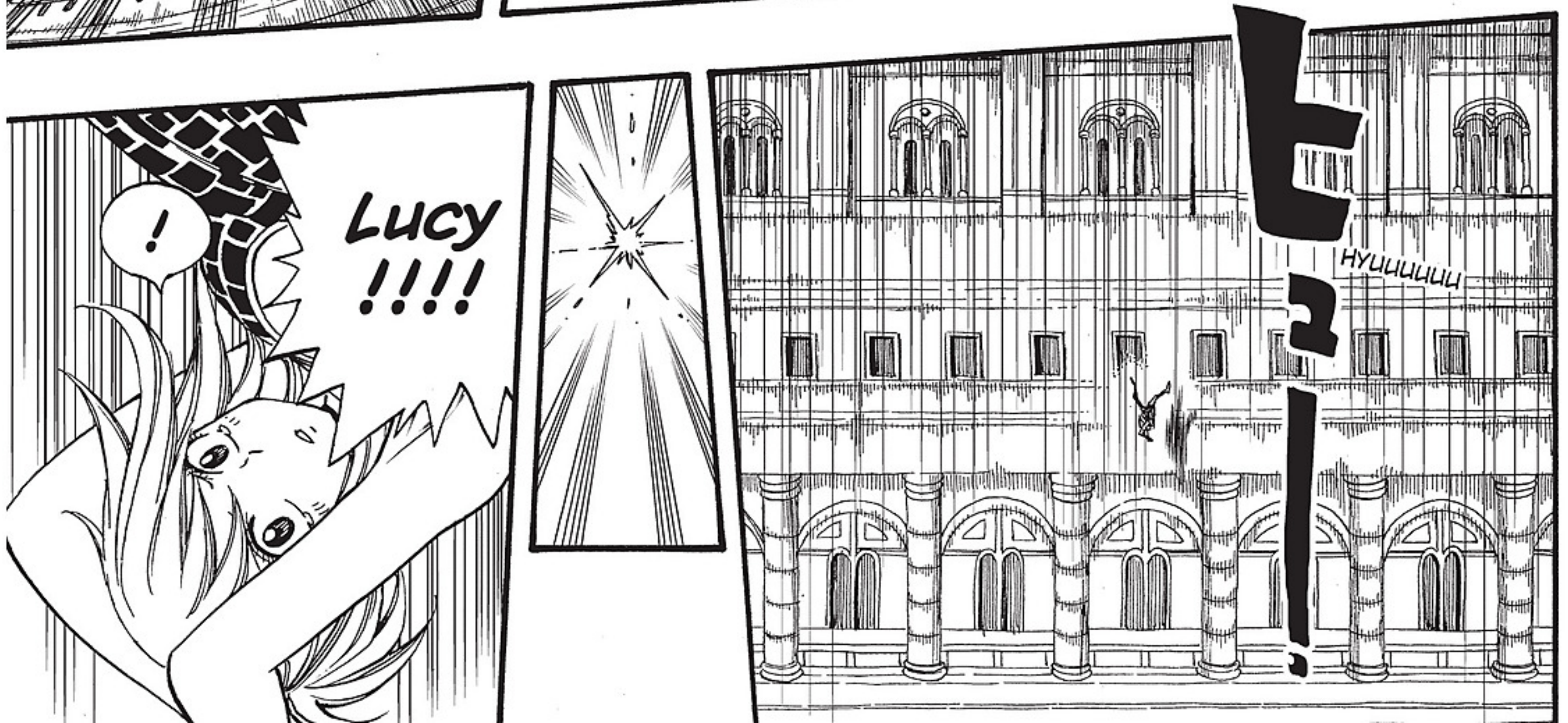
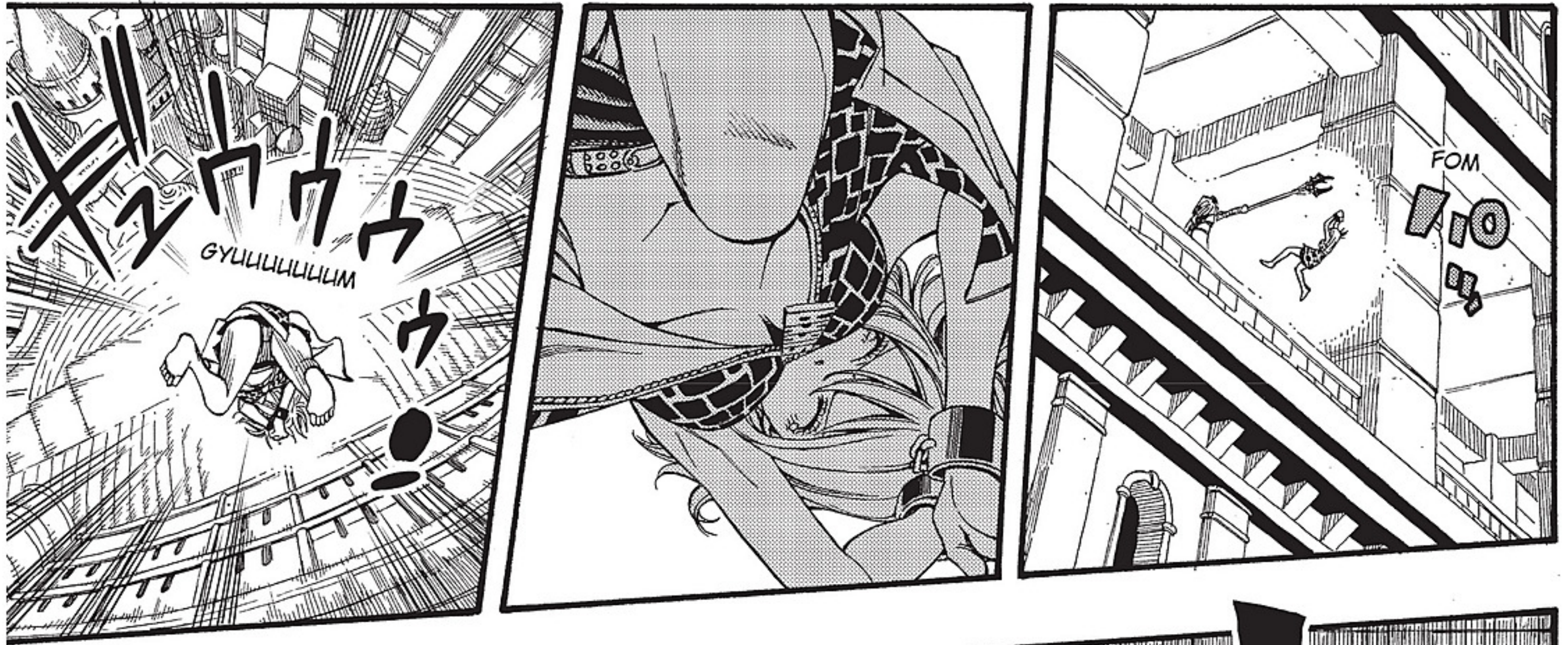
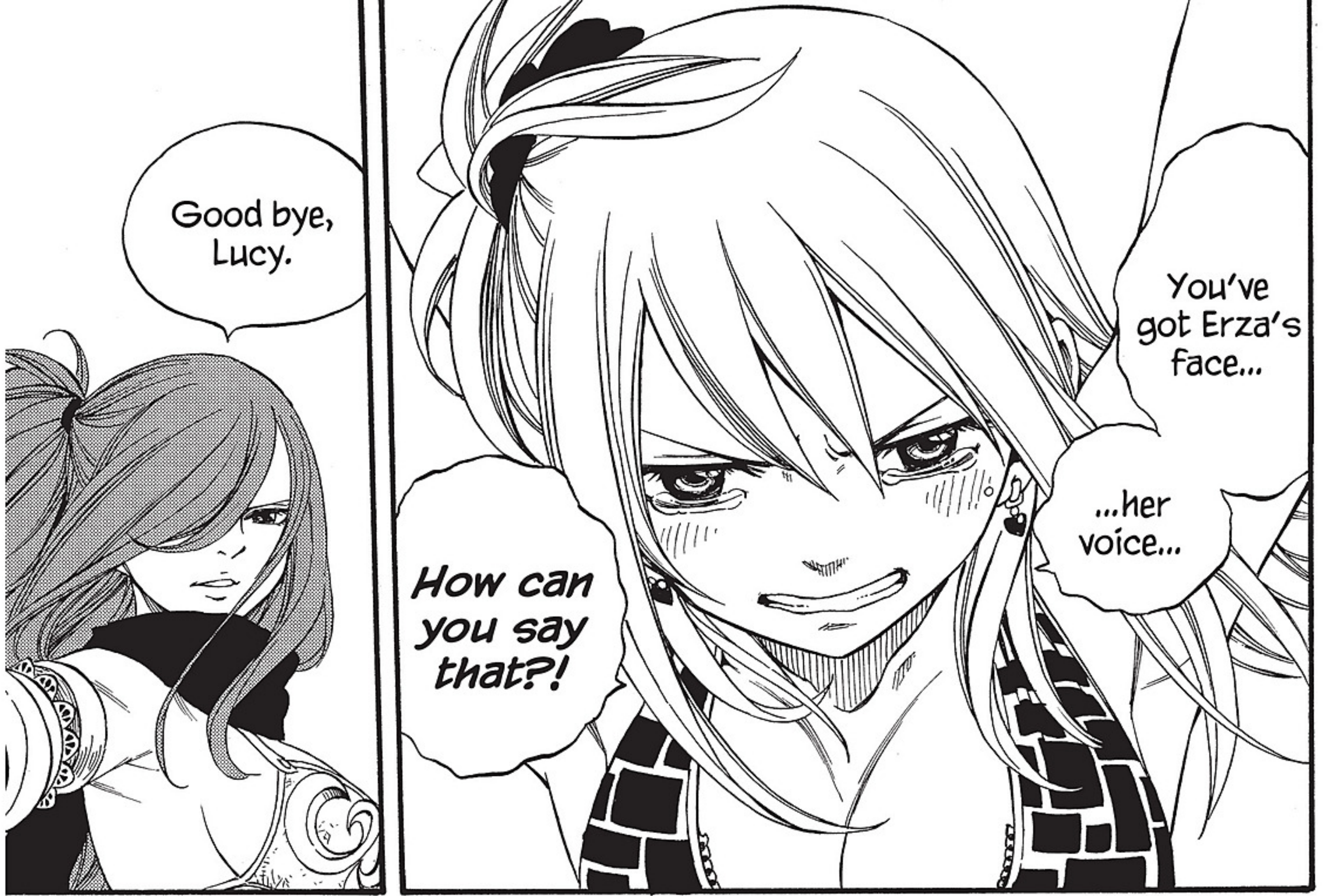
You  
will die  
here and  
now!



Then you've  
been blessed!  
I, on the other  
hand, love to  
see the despair  
of others!

They  
call me Fairy  
Hunter, and just  
as that implies, I  
don't even know  
how many Fairy  
Tail wizards I've  
killed!









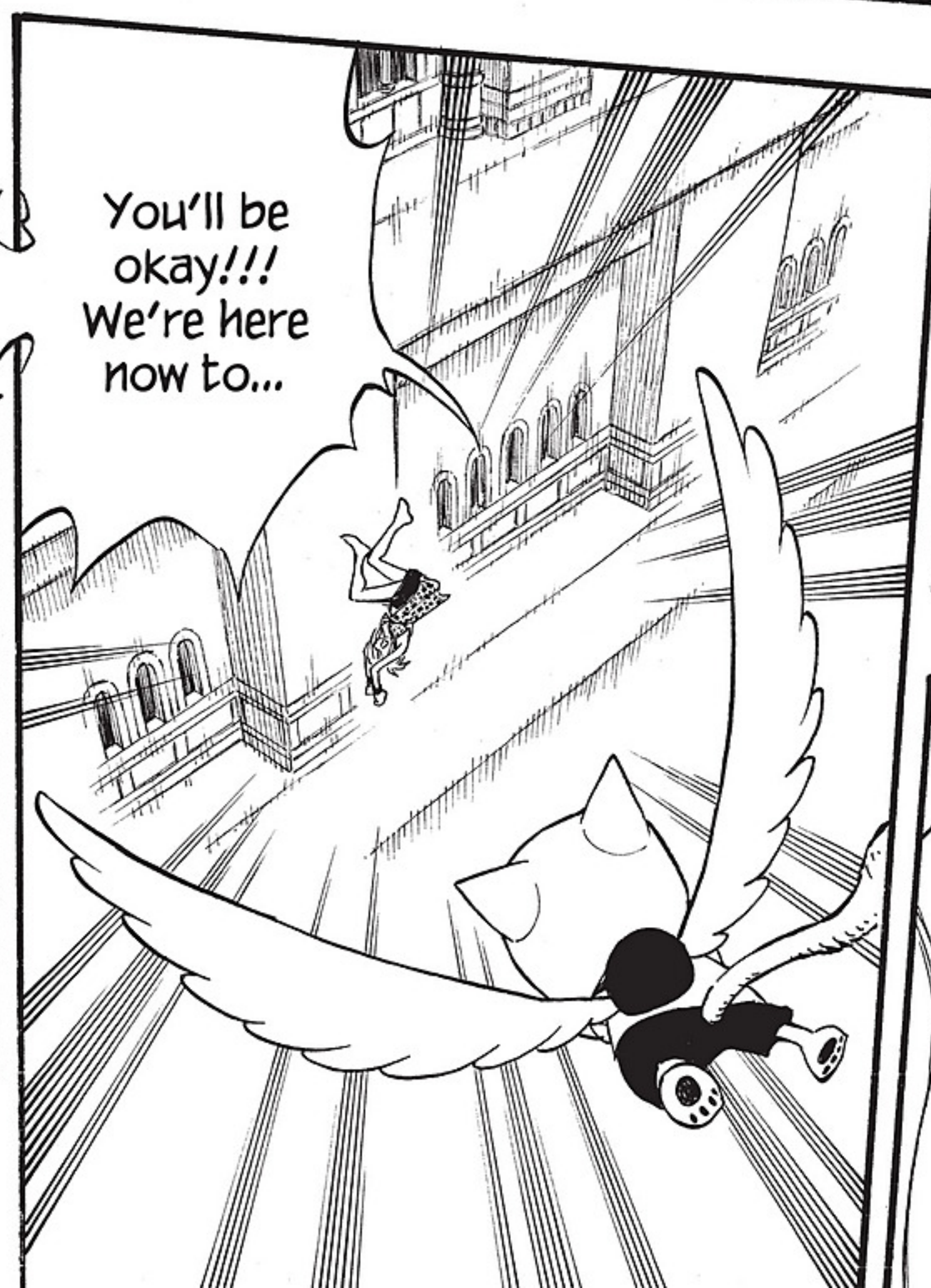
Happy!!!!  
Carla!!!!

GYUULULULU



GOKOONG

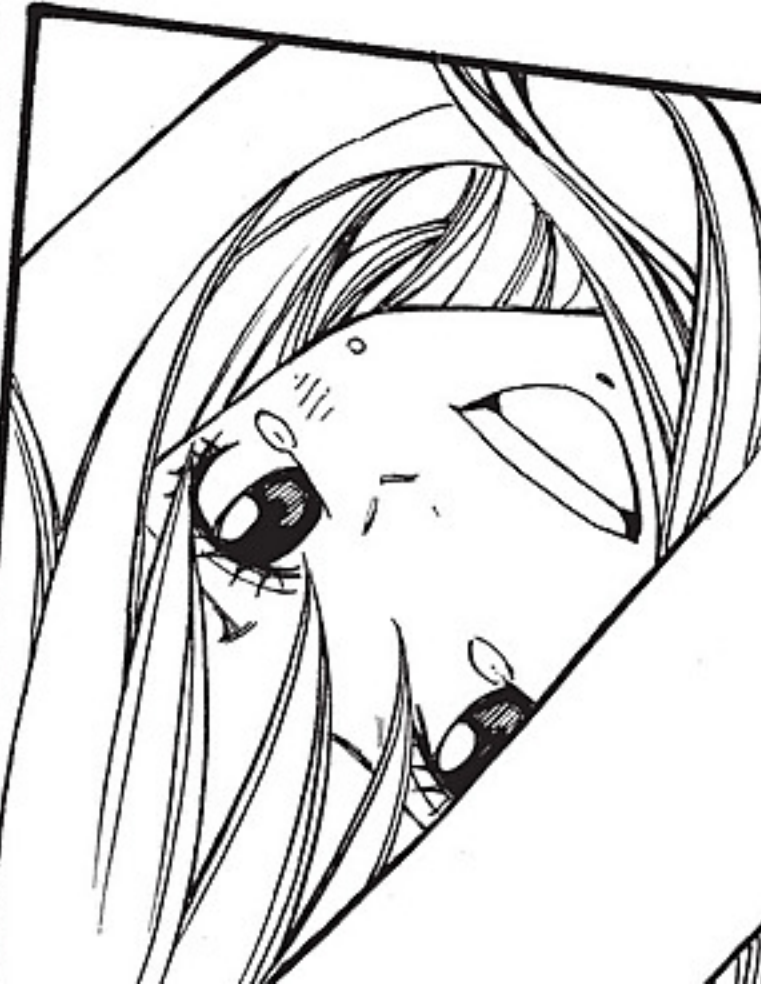
NYAANG!



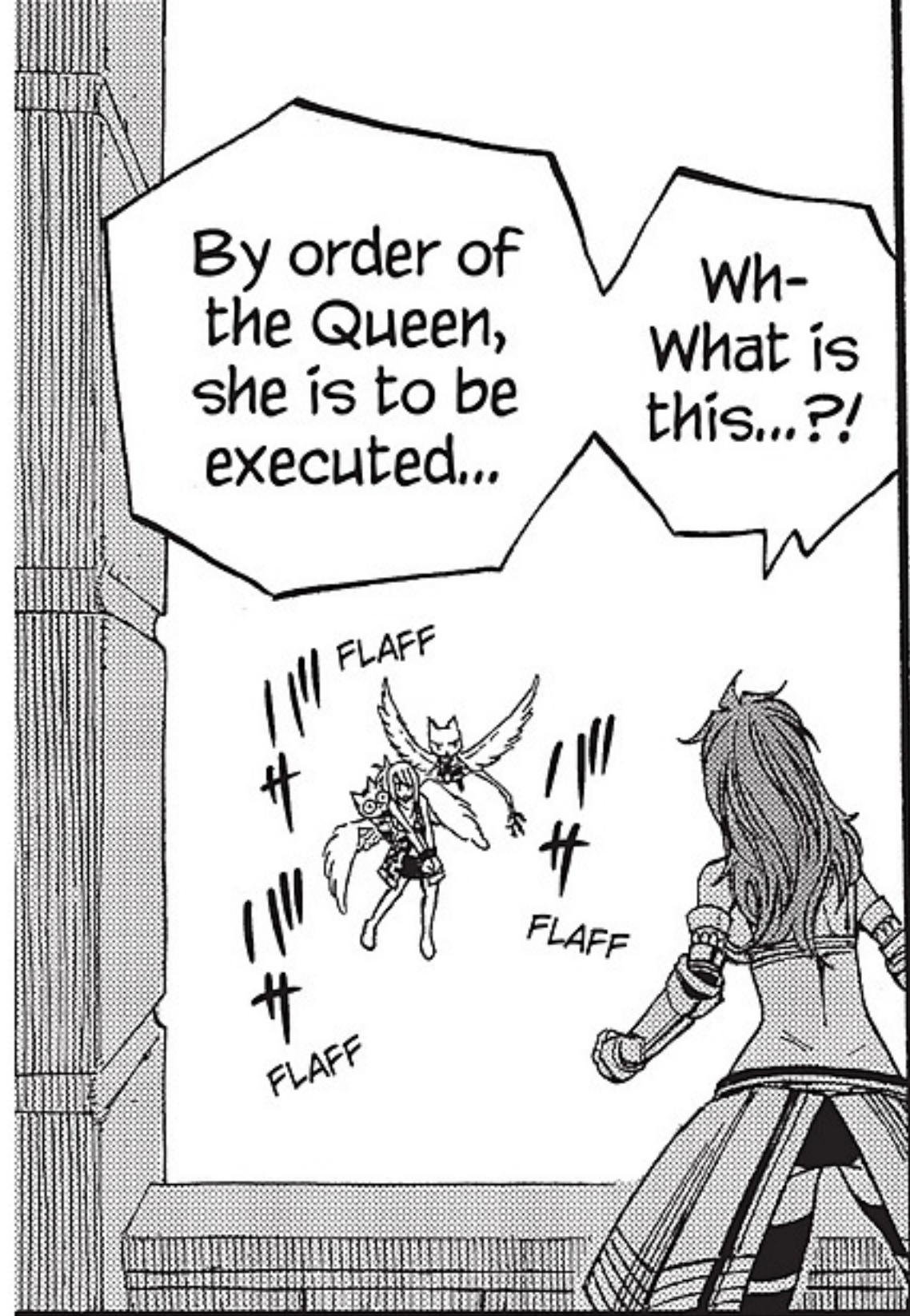
You'll be  
okay!!!  
We're here  
now to...



Exceed  
...







By order of the Queen, she is to be executed...

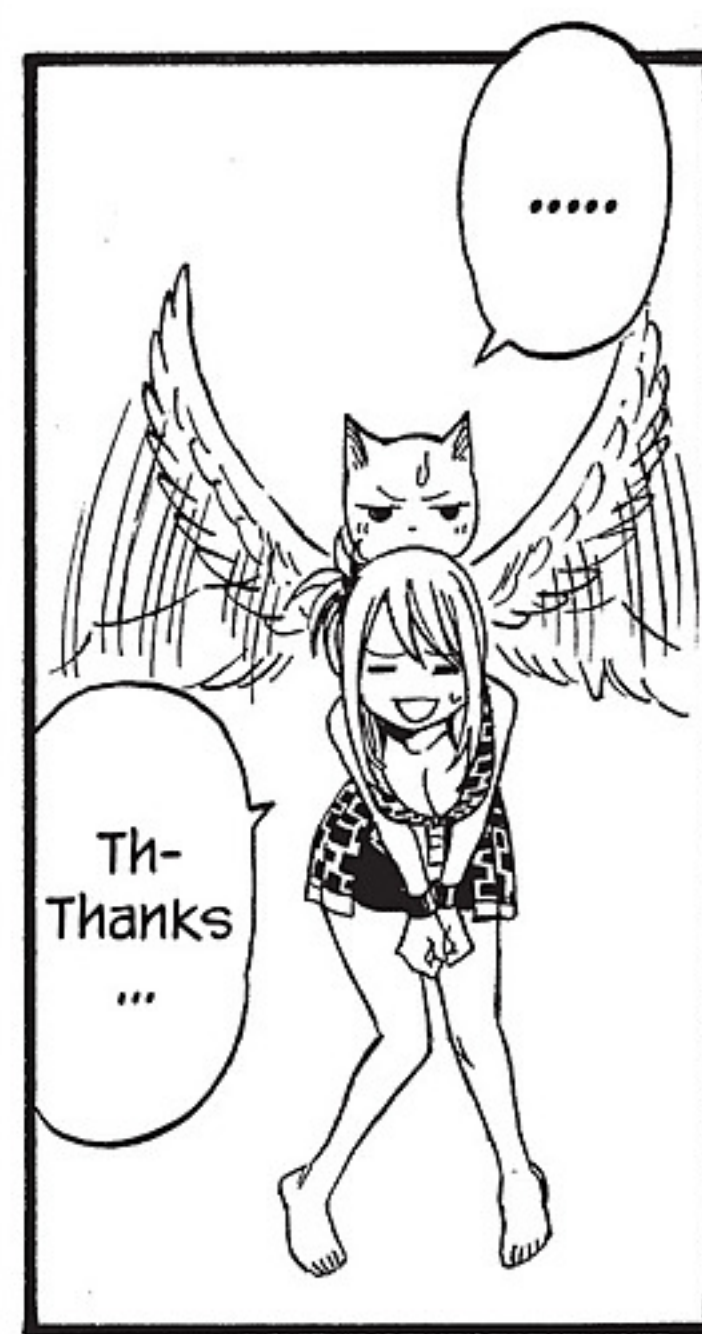
Wh-What is this...?!



It was just a problem of heart.

Huh? You guys have your wings...

It's been so long, I got carried away...



.....

Th-Thanks ...



Hand that woman back over to me.



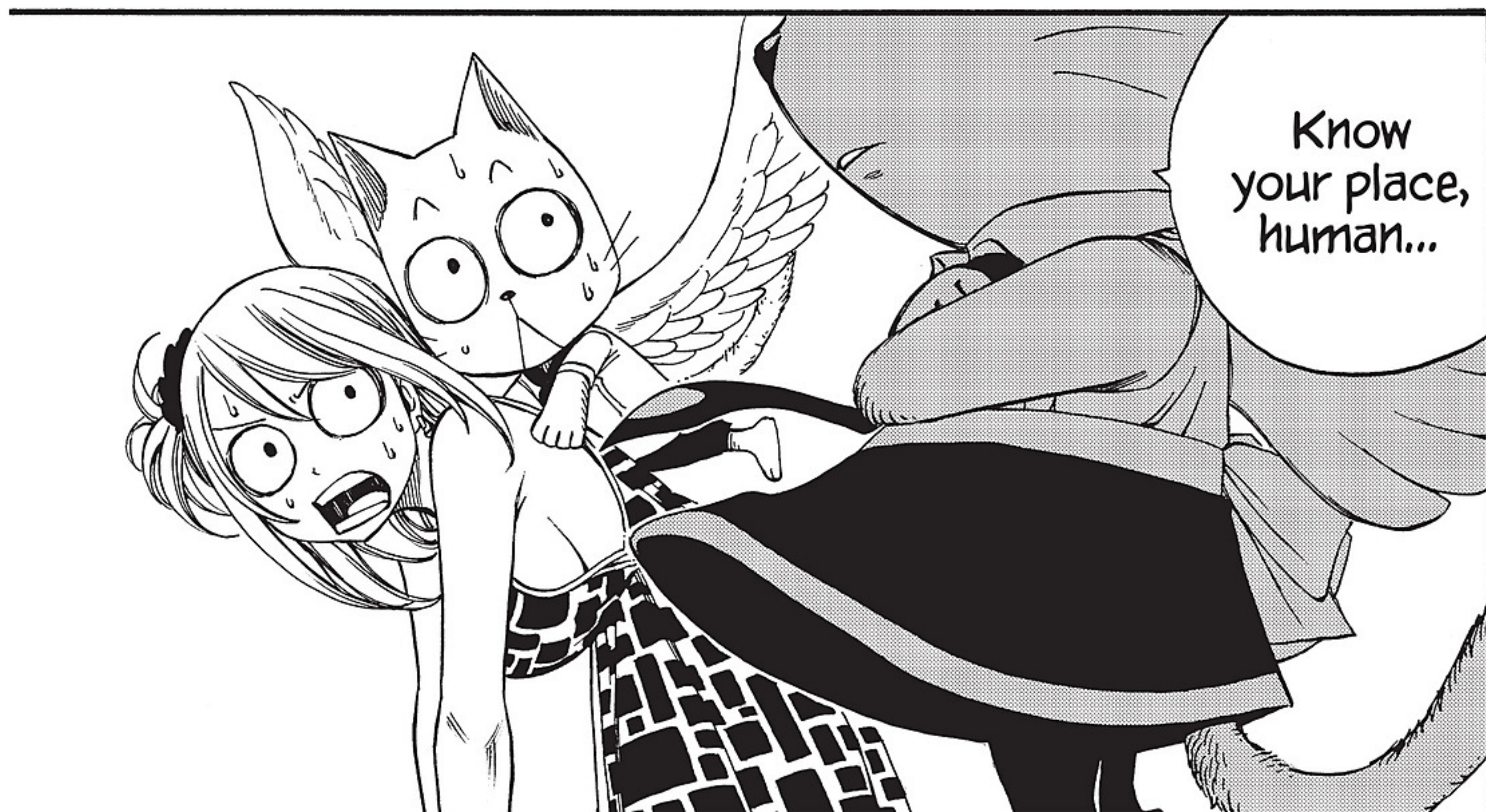
Urk...



B-but even an Exceed doesn't have the right to overturn an edict from the Queen.

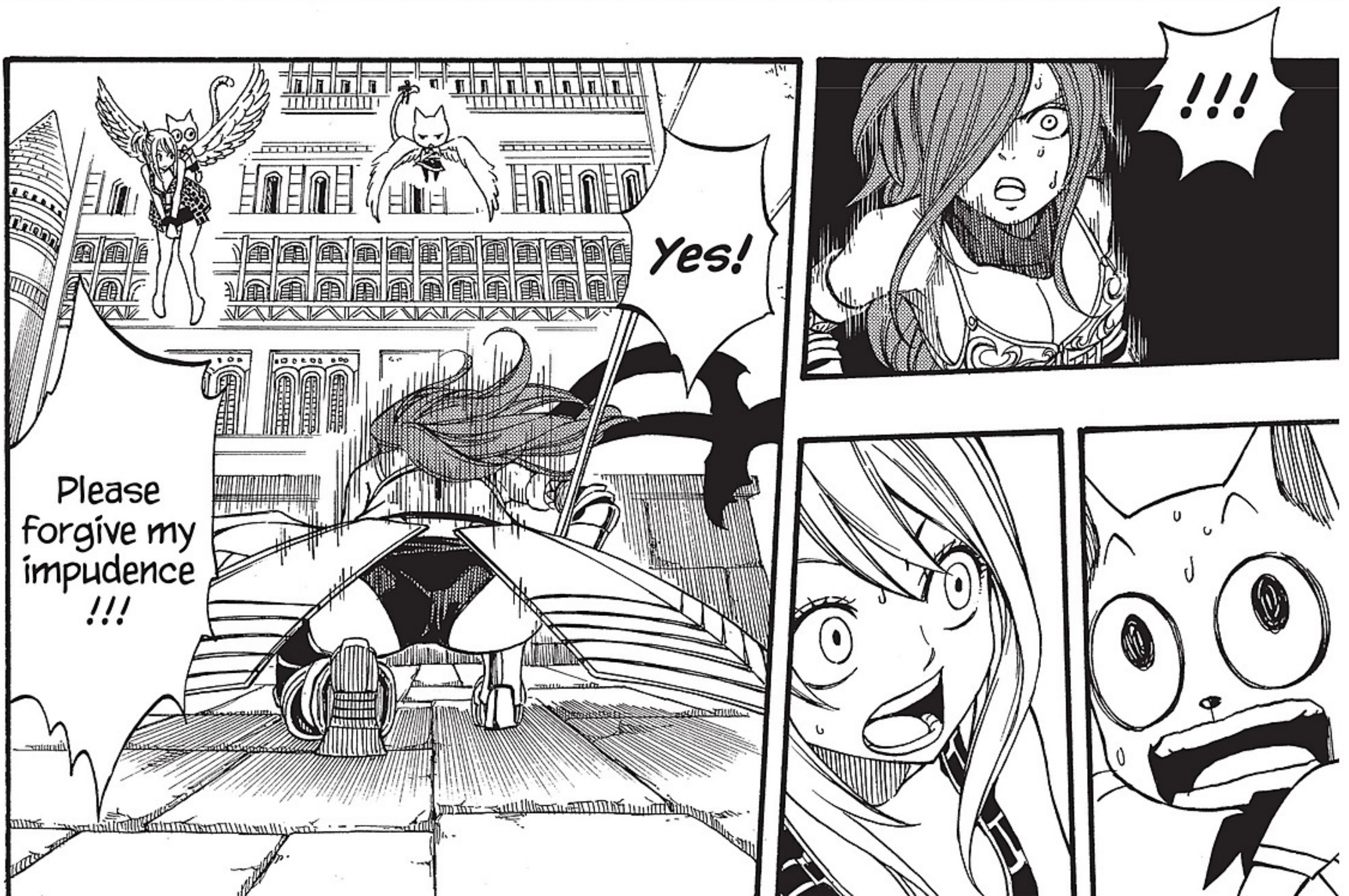
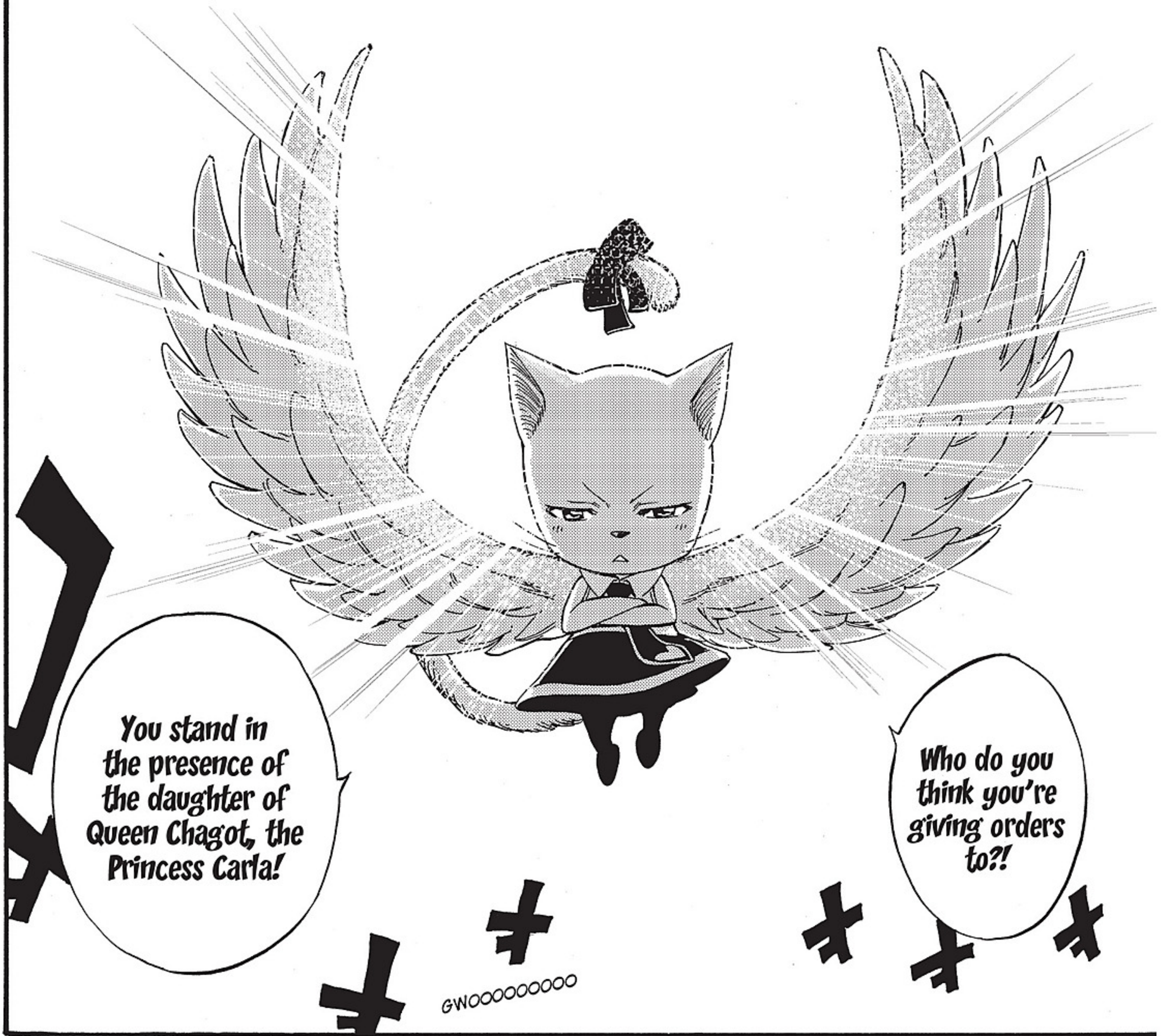


The order is rescinded.

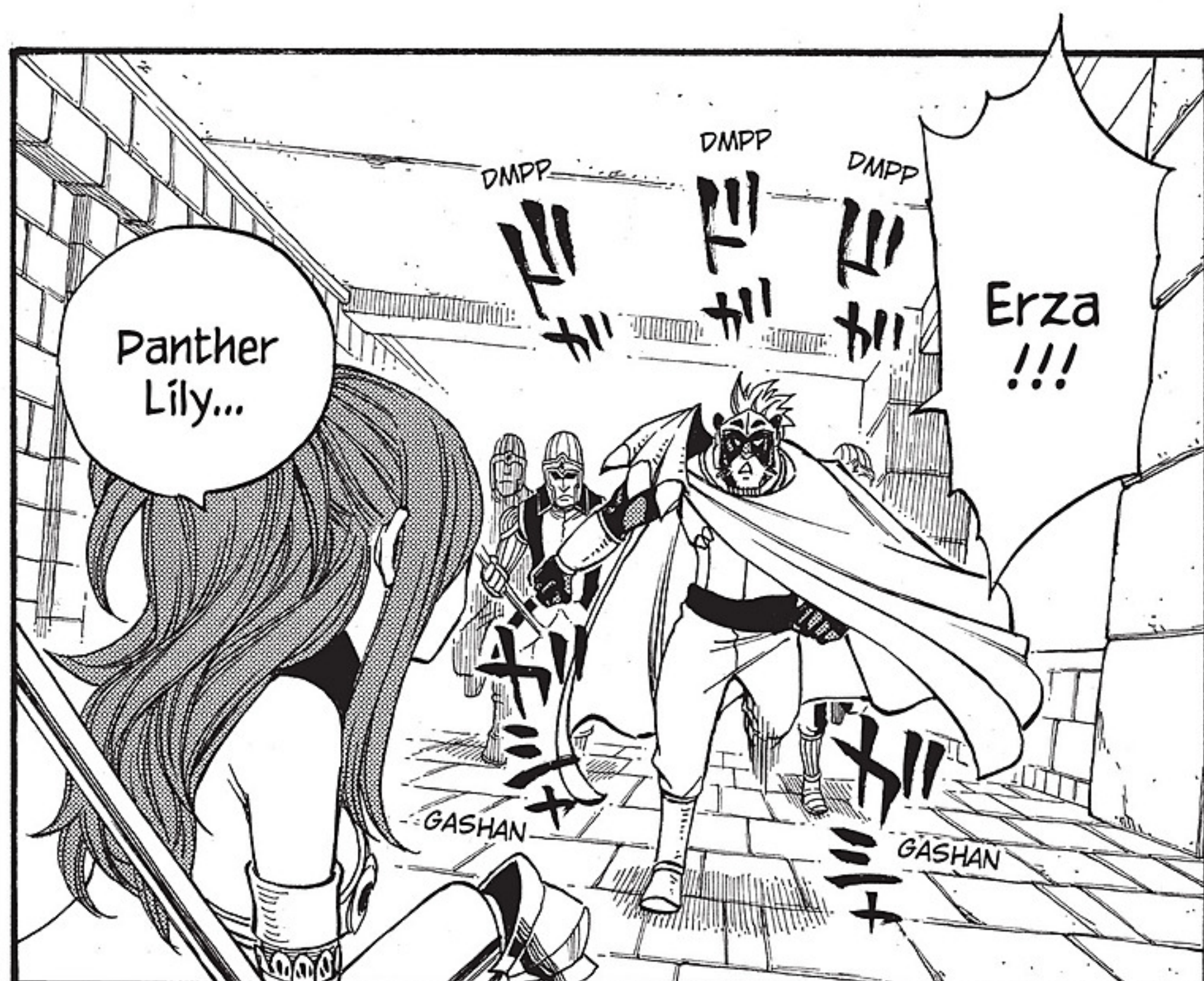
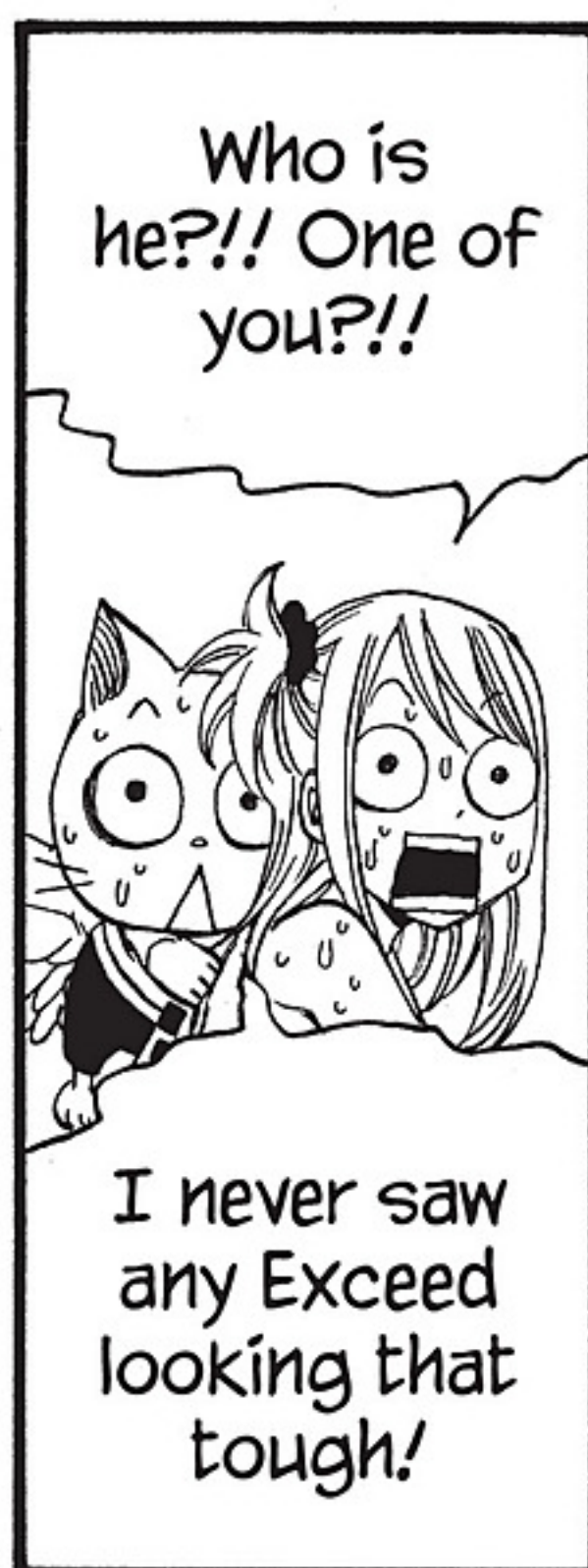
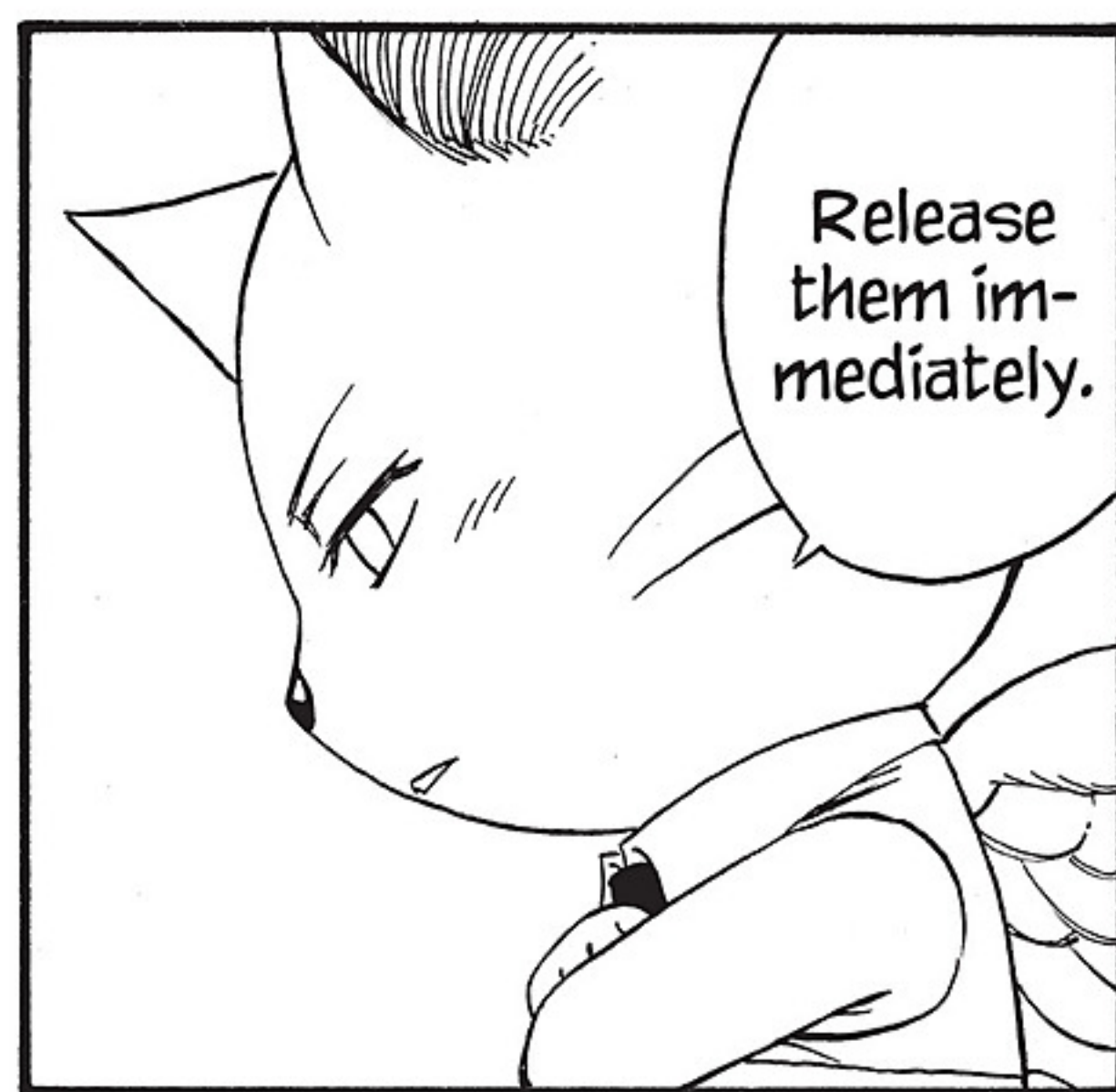
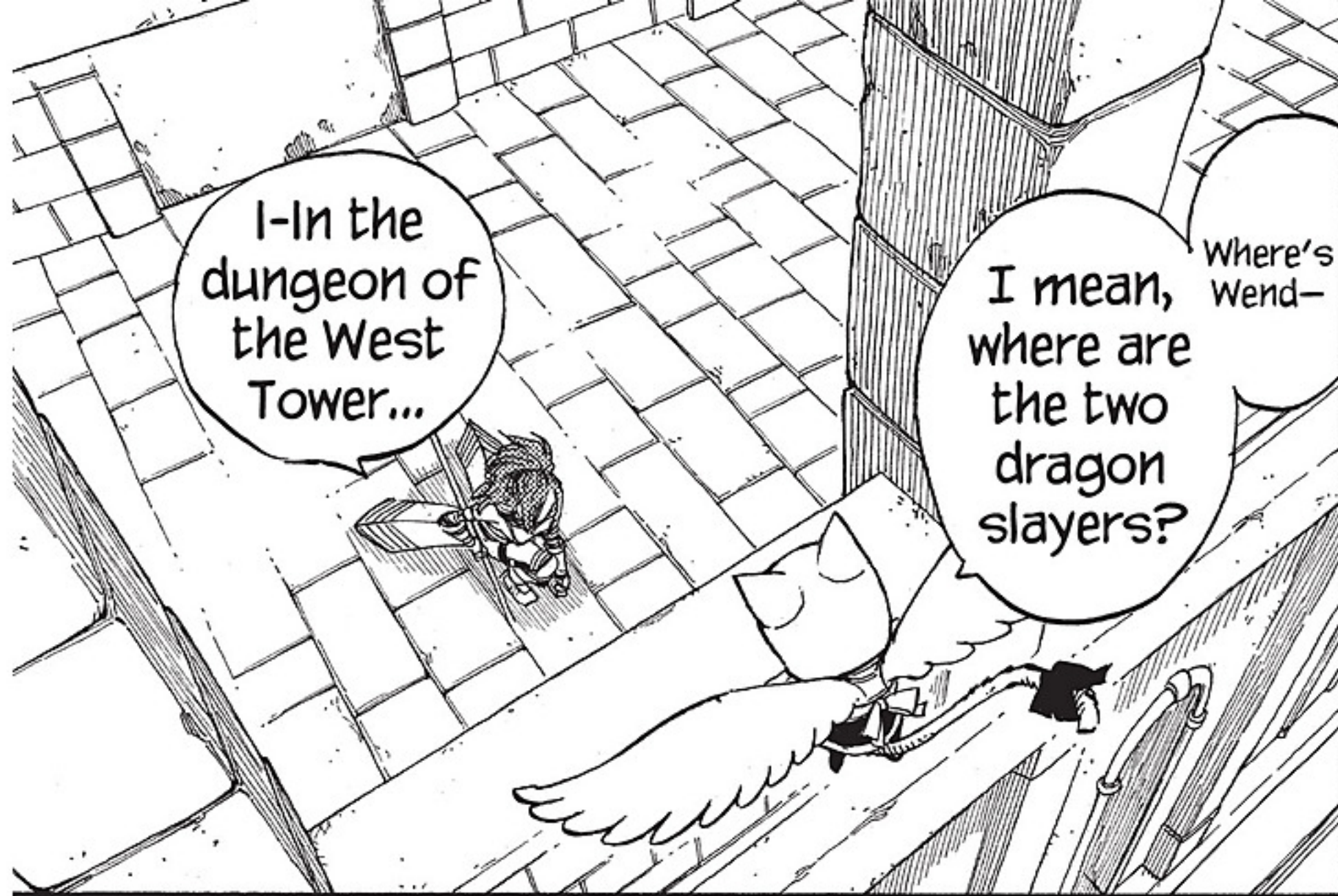


Know your place, human...

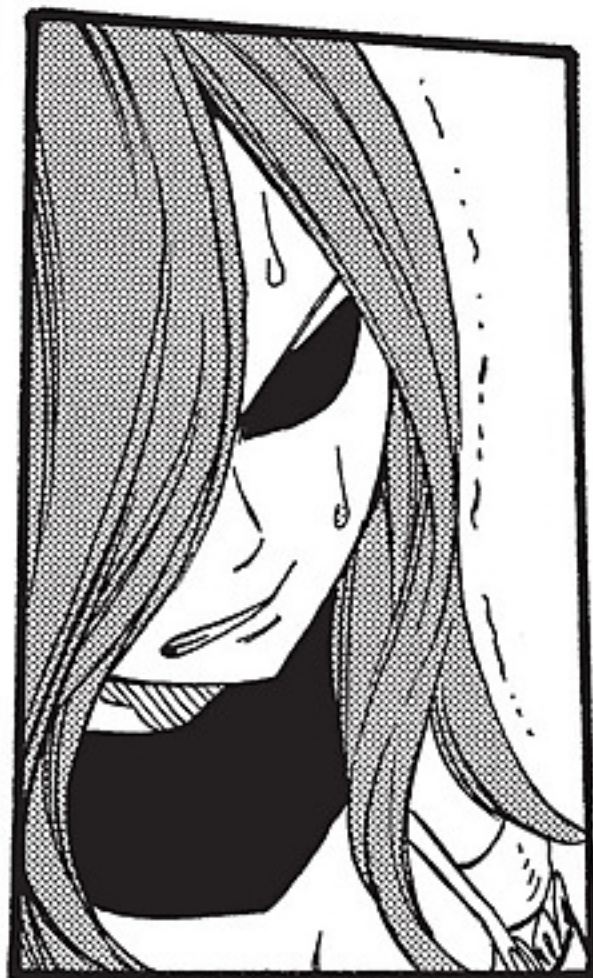
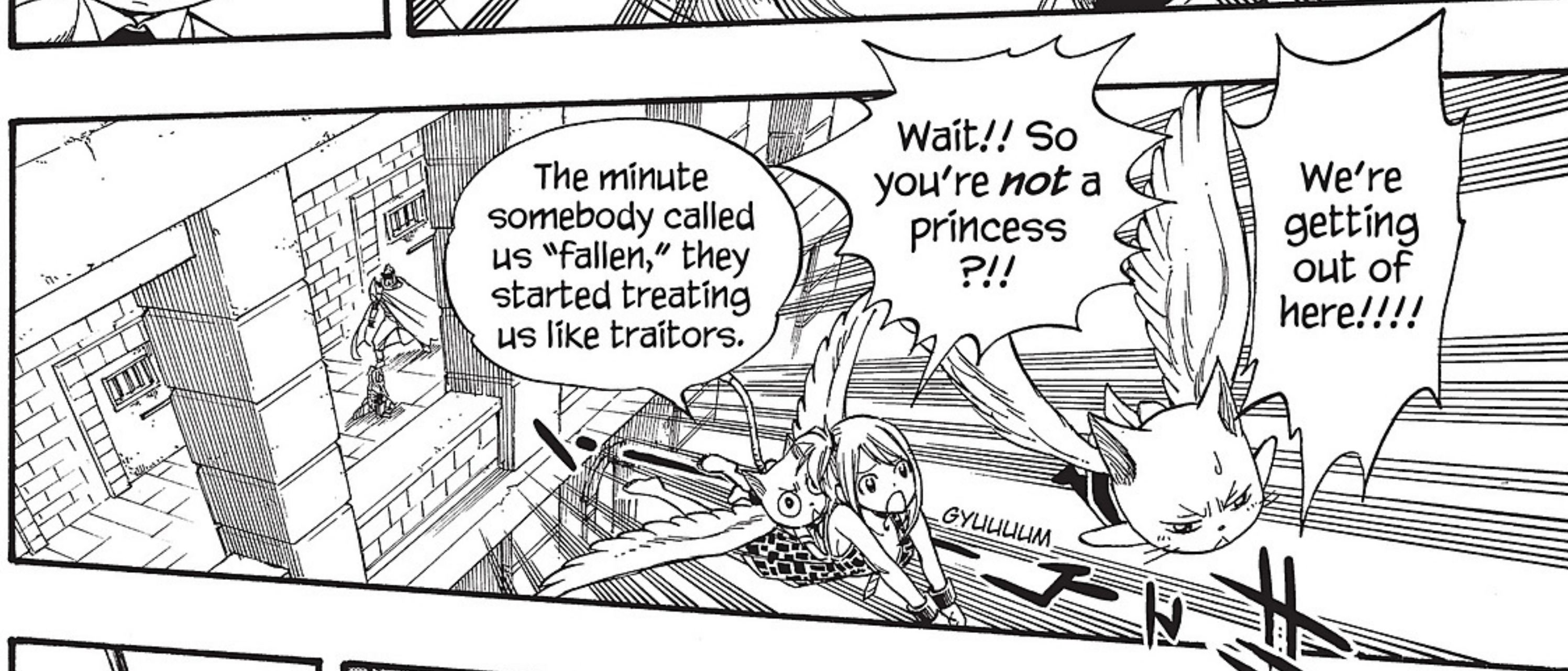




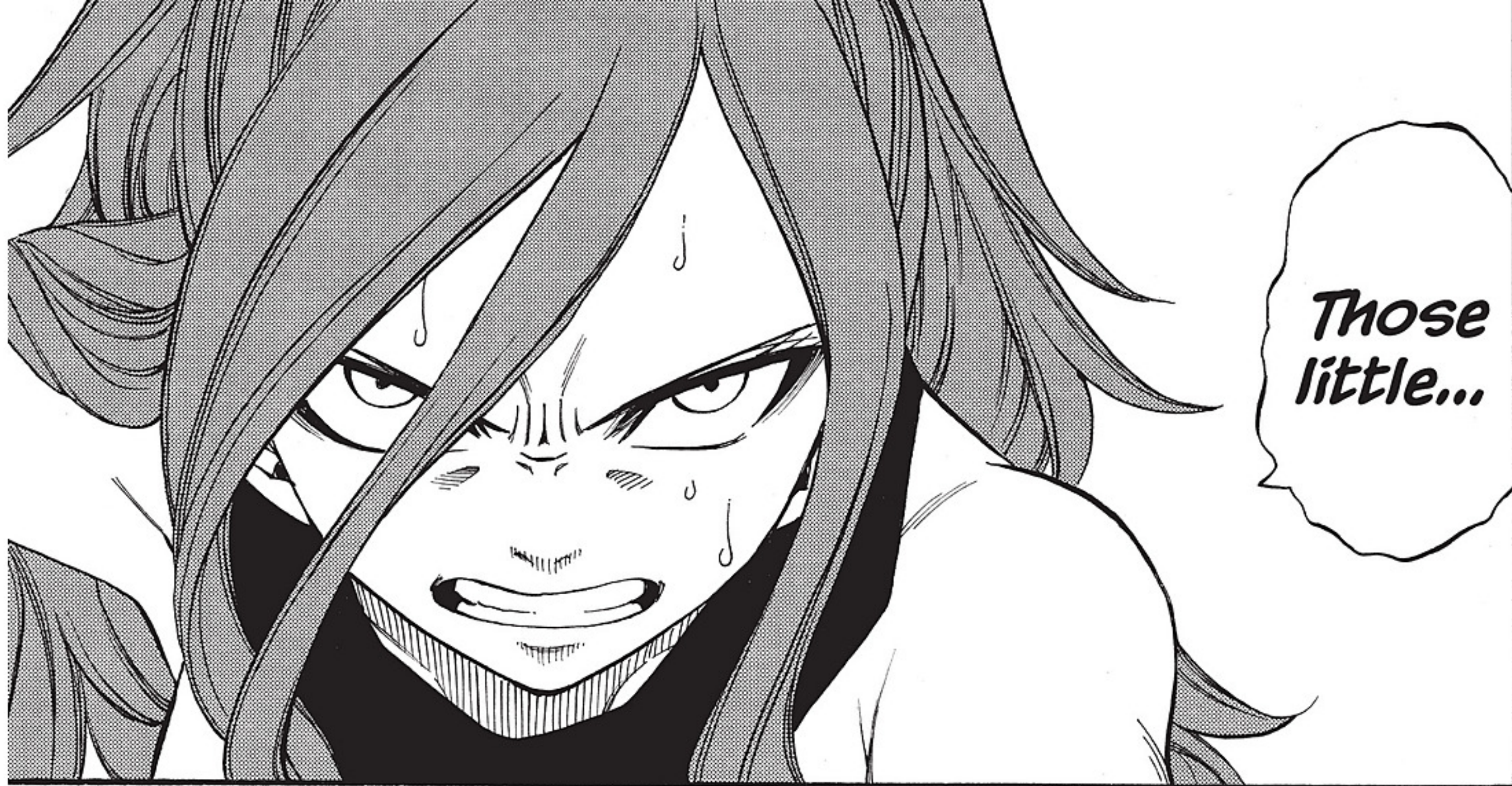




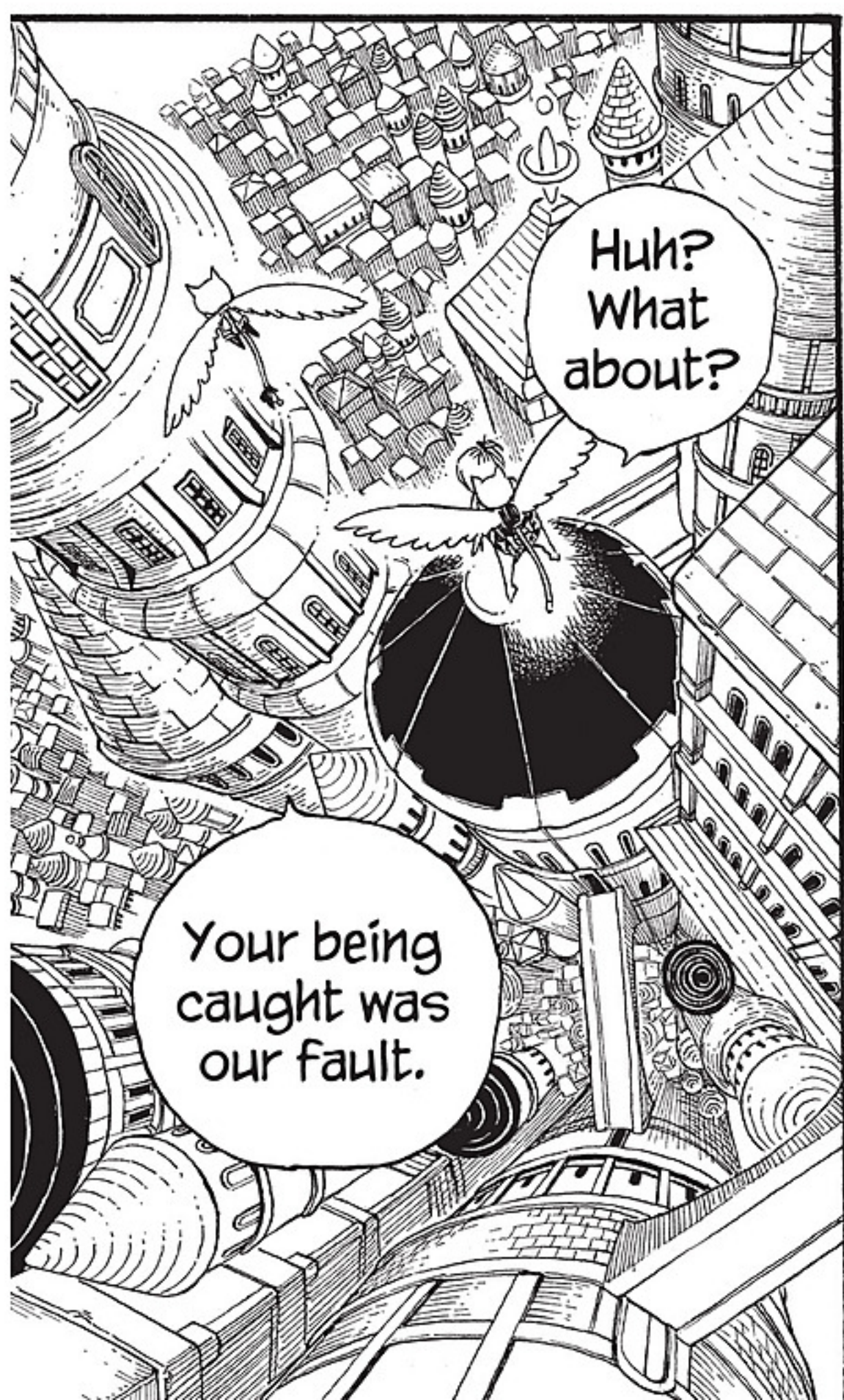
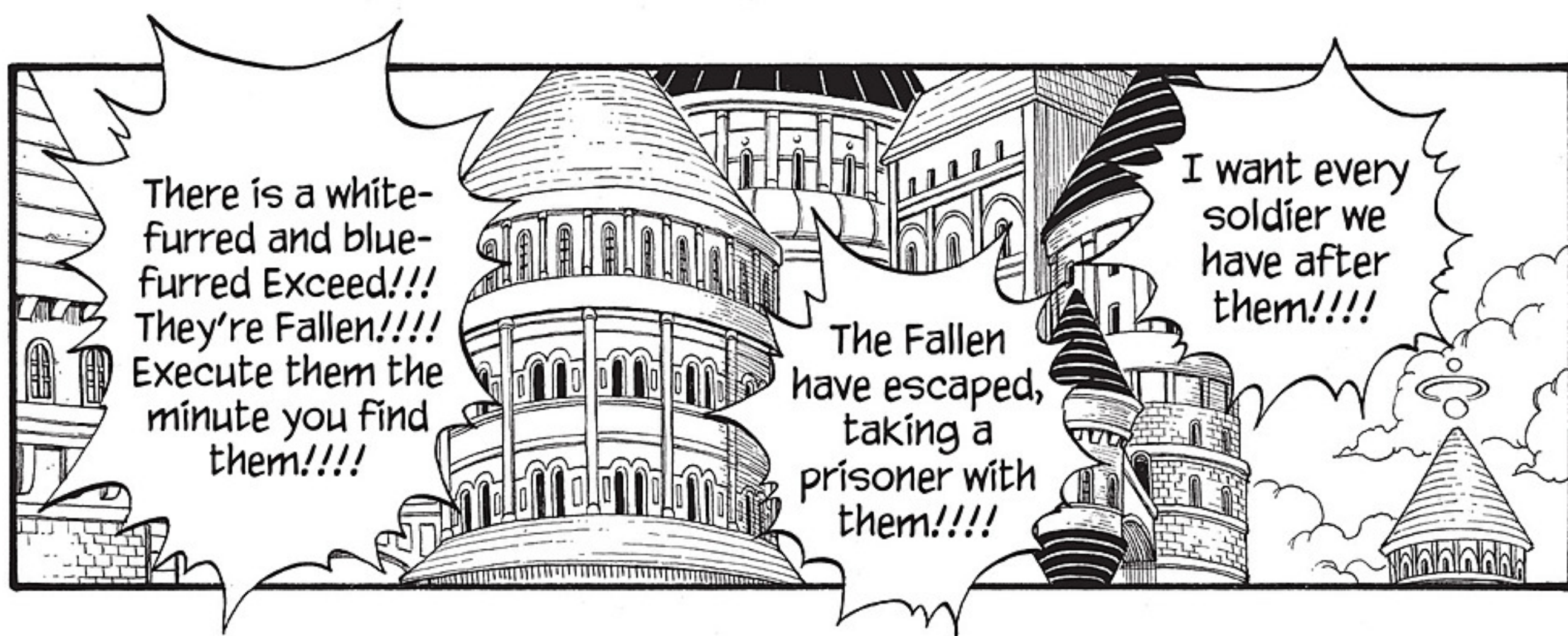




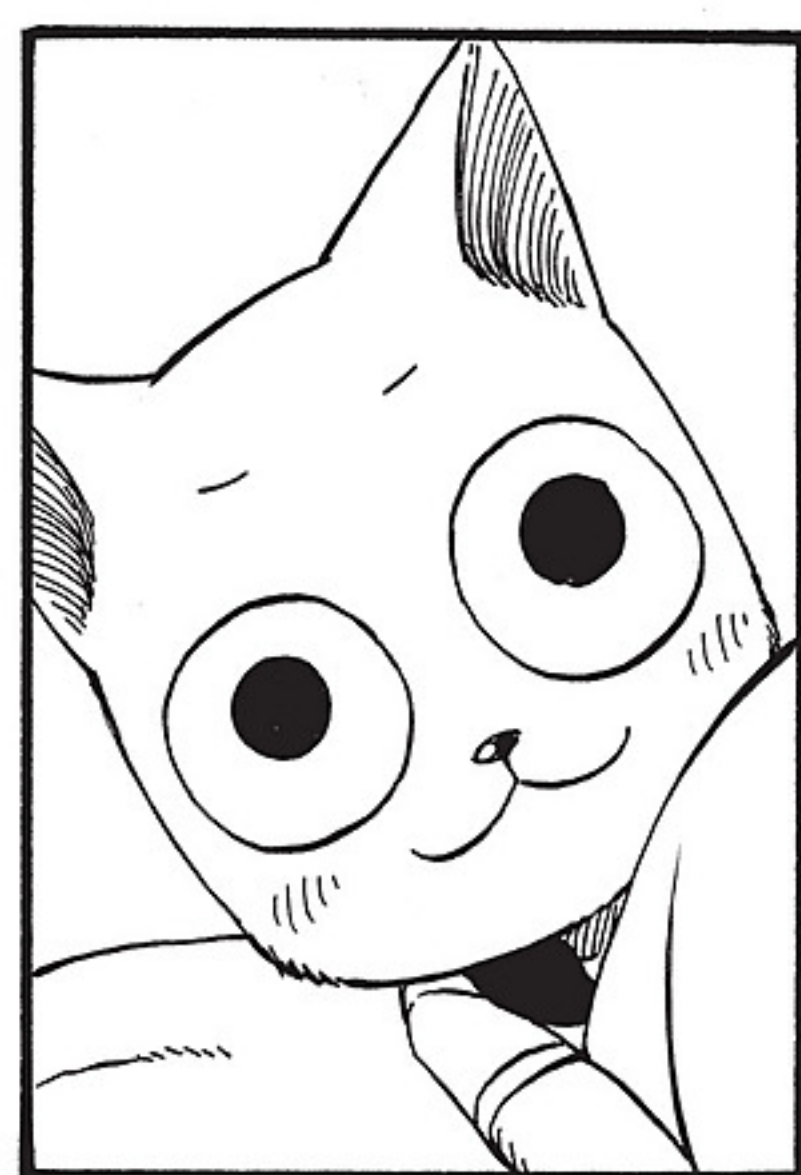
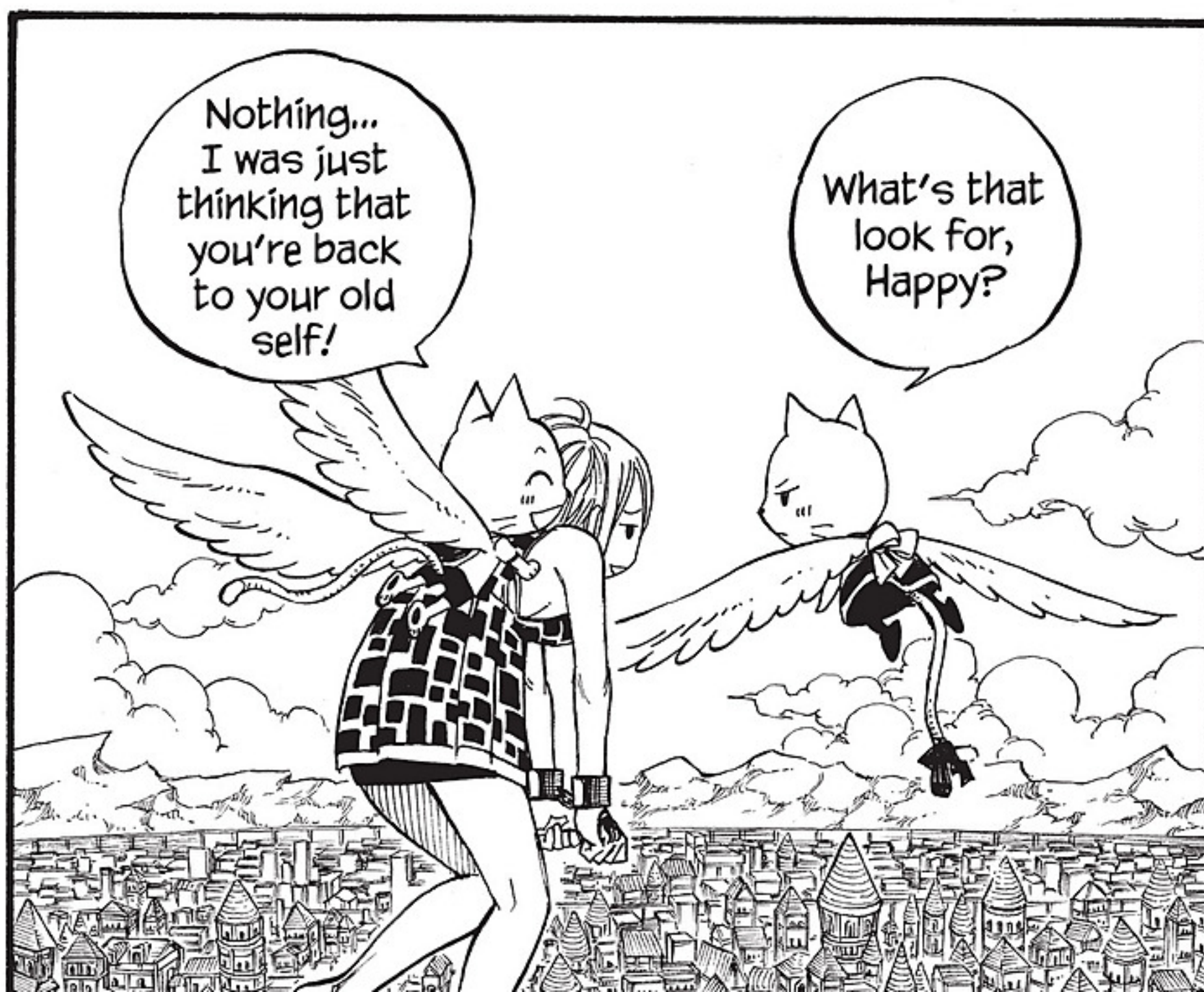
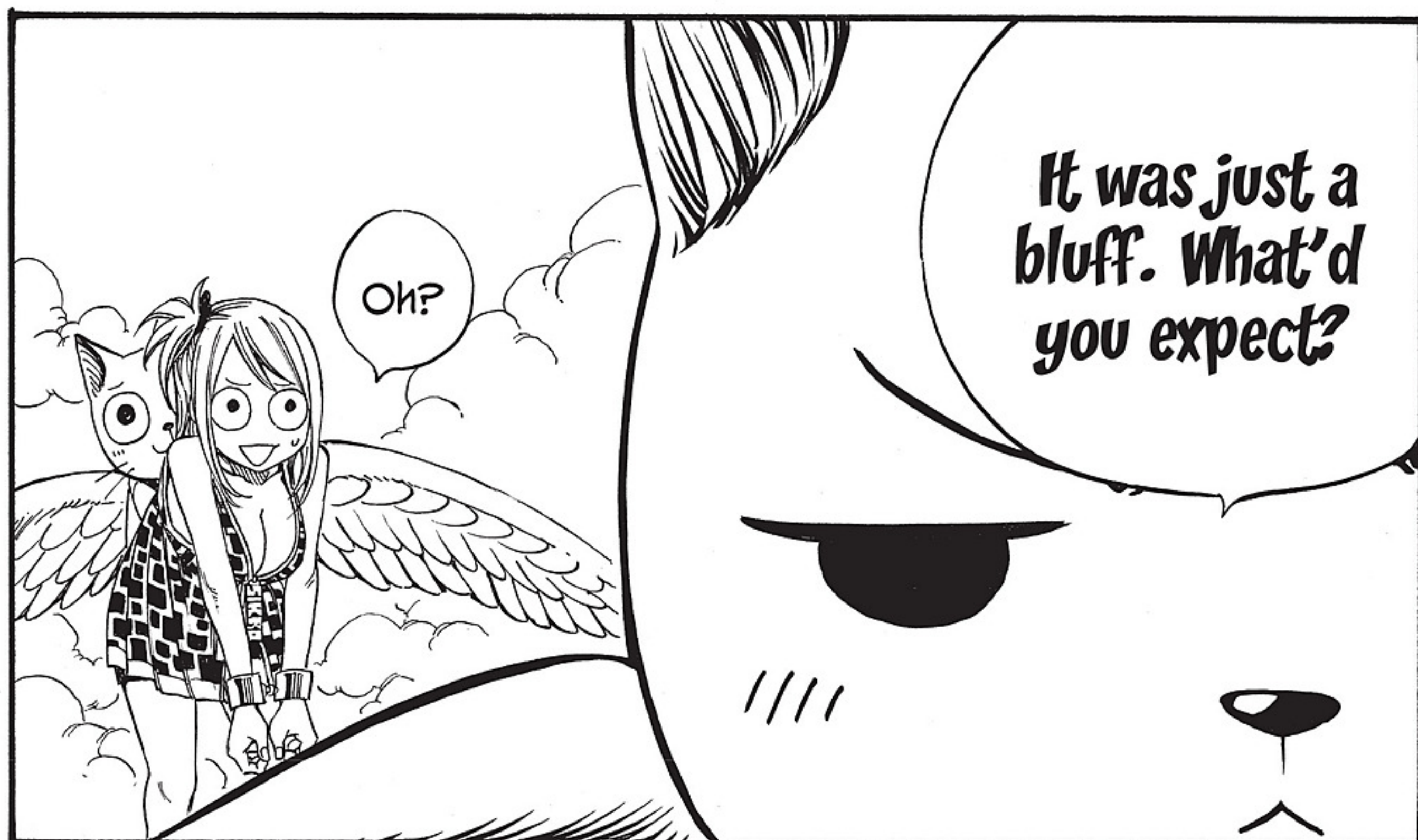




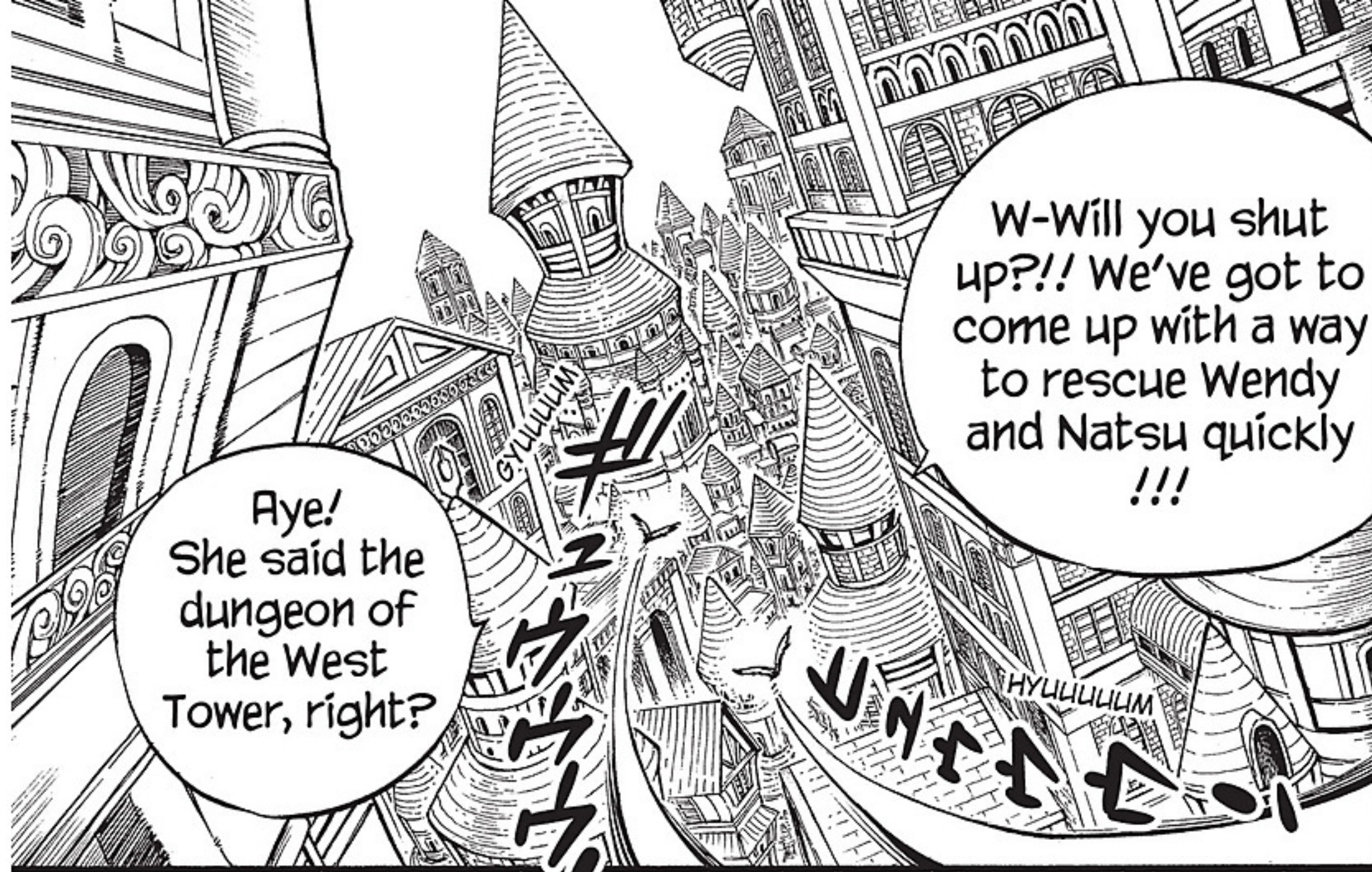
*Those  
little...*











Aye!  
She said the  
dungeon of  
the West  
Tower, right?

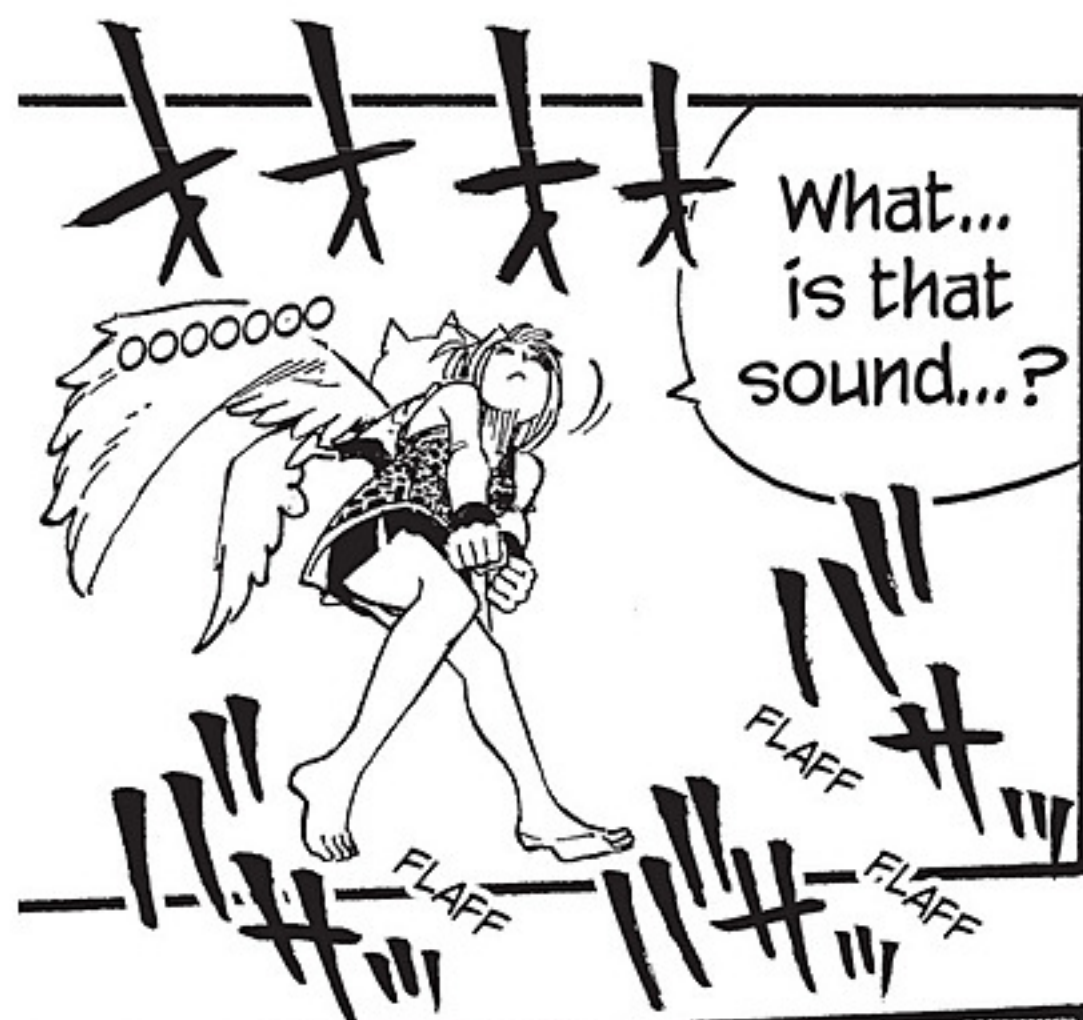
W-Will you shut  
up?! We've got to  
come up with a way  
to rescue Wendy  
and Natsu quickly  
!!!



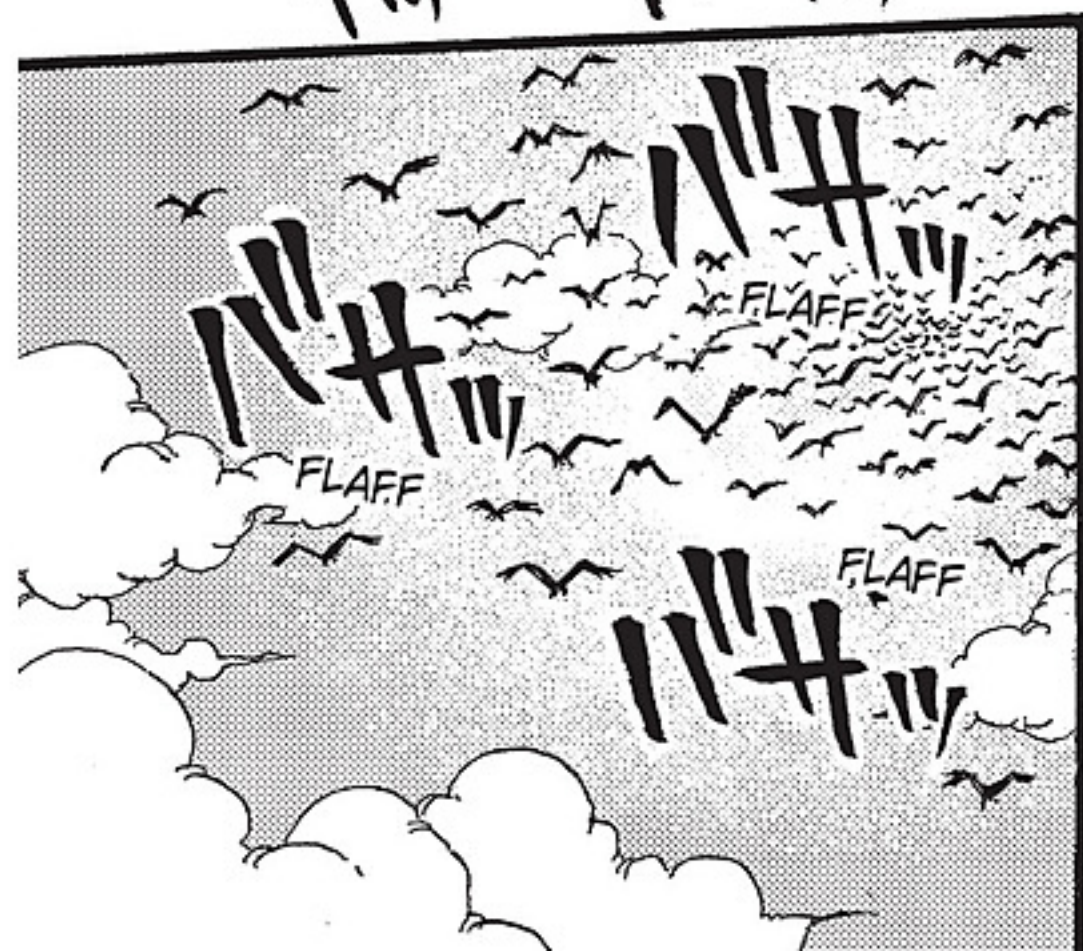
Huh? Did  
she just  
call him  
"Happy"???



Is that  
right...?



What...  
is that  
sound...?



!!!

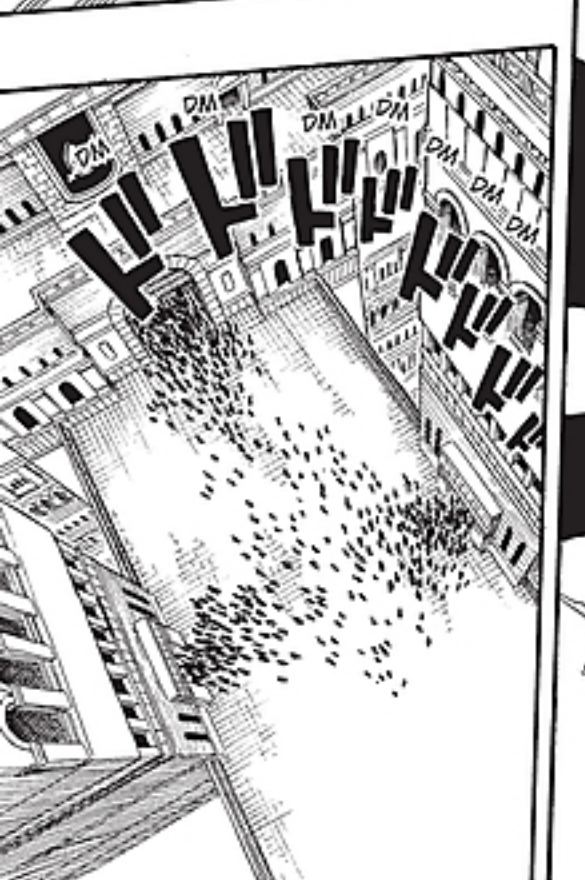


HEH!

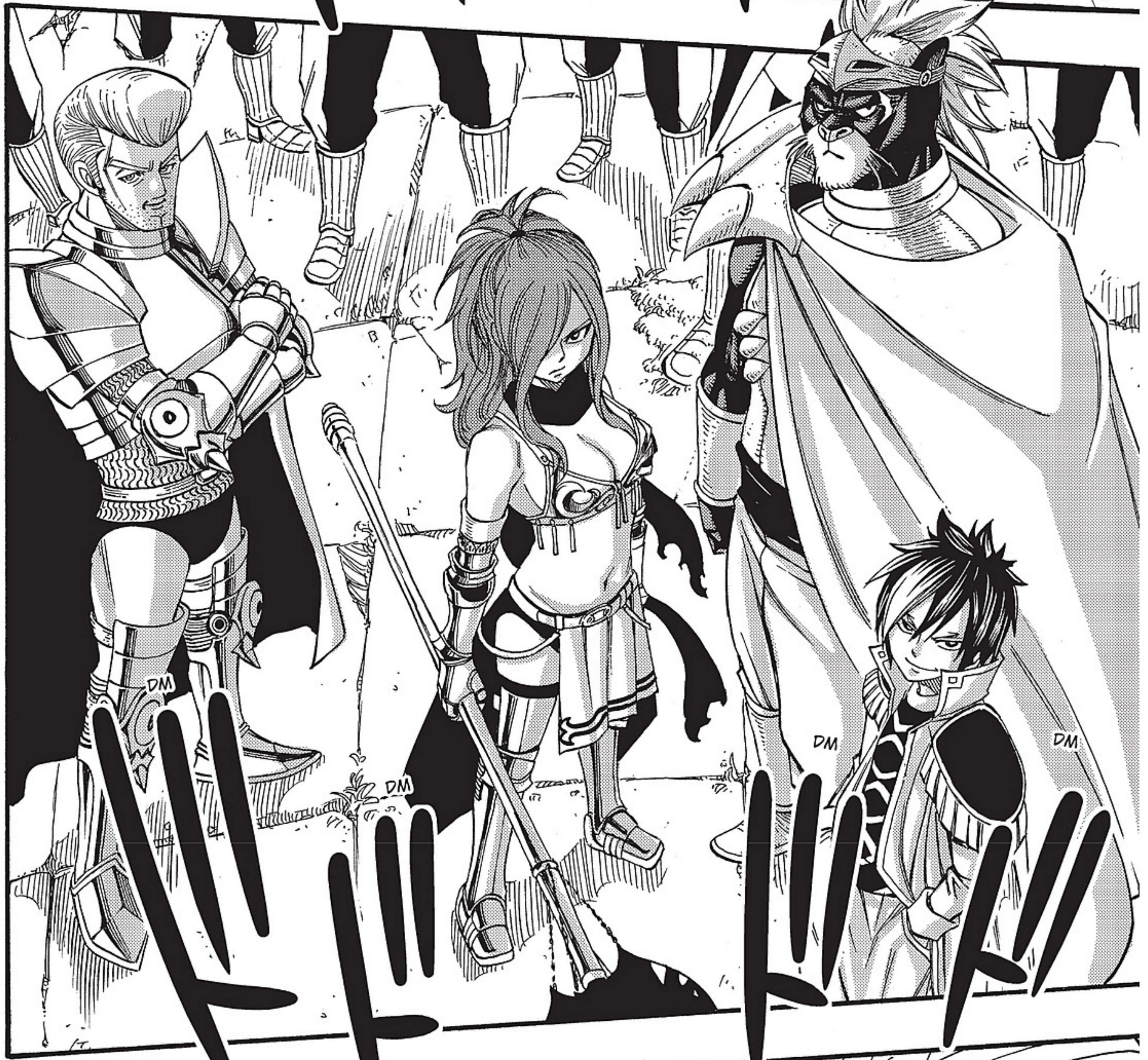
What  
are you  
smiling  
at, Lucy?

Oh,  
noth-  
ing!

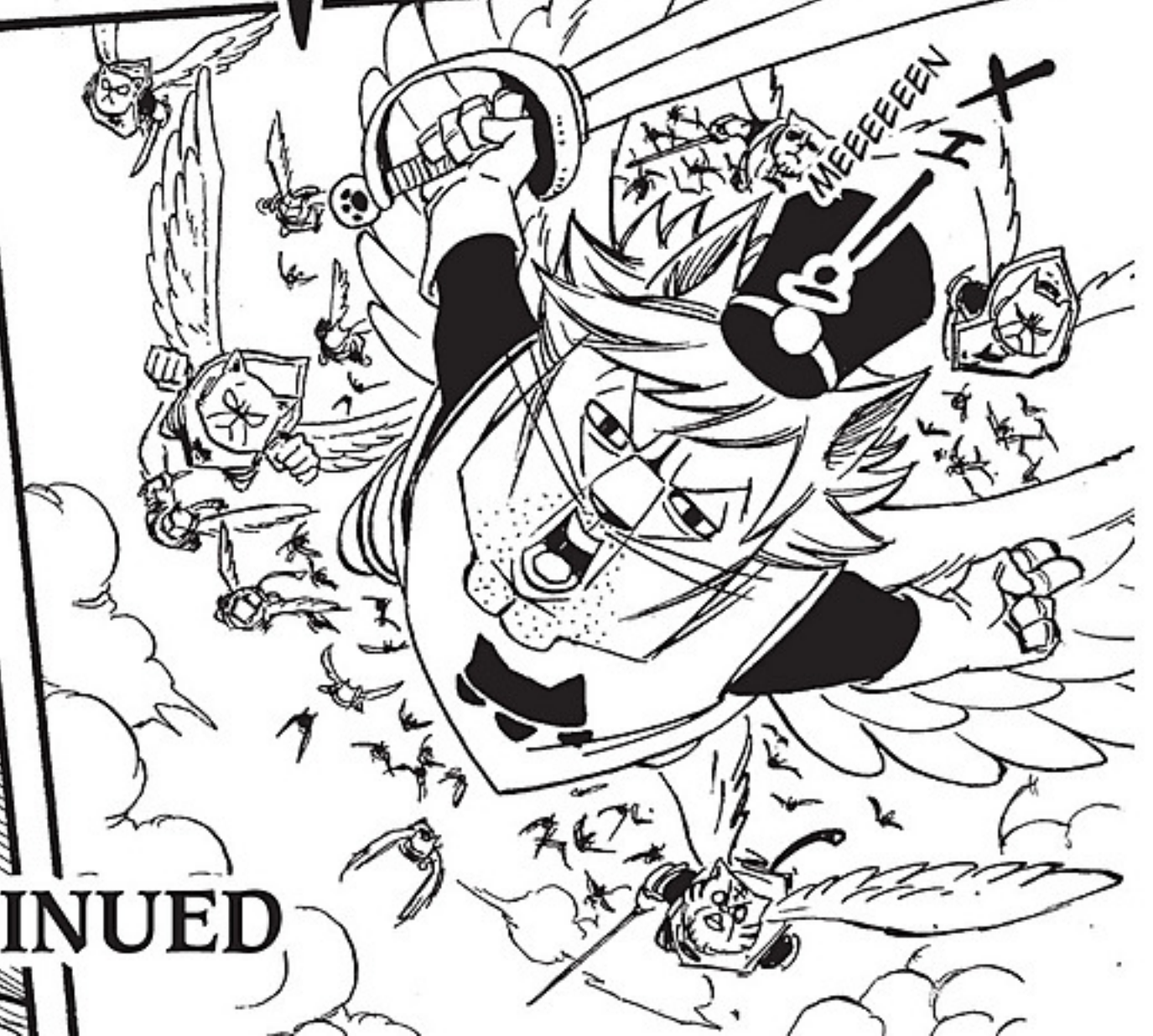








We've got enemies in the sky and on the ground...!!!



TO BE CONTINUED



# Afterword



There are cats everywhere!! Especially starting on the splash page for chapter 177, all the way to the end is a steady stream of nothing but cats!!! And that's the story of this first commemorative (?) volume! Now that we're in the Edolas arc, I figured it would be easier to draw than the Nirvana arc that we just finished, but...?!! Look at all the crowd scenes!! And now there are two Natsus and Lucys, and it always takes so much time to draw Panther Lily (although personally, I love him because he's so cute), and the buildings and plants of Edolas are supposed to look like nothing you'd find on Earth-land, so it's such a pain!! It's suddenly turned into a series where it takes forever to draw even one chapter! It's been ten years since I started doing this job, right...? But I can never seem to speed up the process! Ten years ago, I thought that in a decade, I'll be drawing manga at twice the speed I'm doing now! I figured then I'd be able to take like three days off per week! Yeah, I remember those plans clearly... I'm so sorry, my former self of ten years ago! Anyway there are a lot of new terms here, and I don't want you to get confused, so I'm jotting them down here. Which is a good excuse because this will keep me from forgetting them too.

**Earth-land:** The world where Natsu and everybody live. It just means living on Earth.

**Edolas:** A different world from the one Natsu and everybody live on. It's a world in the process of losing its magic.

**Exceed:** Happy and Carla. They're a race of beings that look like cats. They are like angels of Edolas.

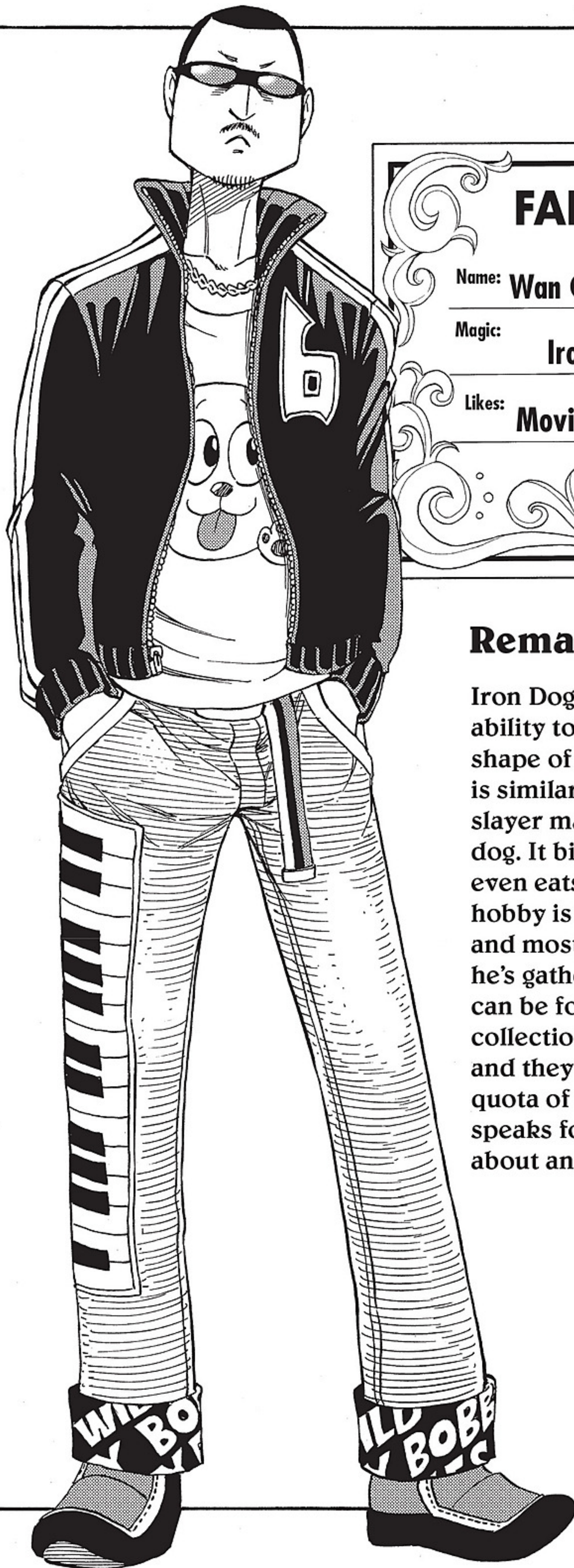
**Extalia:** The country of the Exceed. They have a Queen that they worship like a god.

**Lacrima:** A crystal that can harbor magic. Presently everyone in Fairy Tail has been turned into a lacrima.



# FAIRY TAIL

## Bit-Part Guild Card 1



### FAIRY TAIL

Name: **Wan Chanzi**

Age: **24**

Magic:

**Iron Dog**

Likes:

**Movie lacrima**

Dislikes:

**Cabbage**



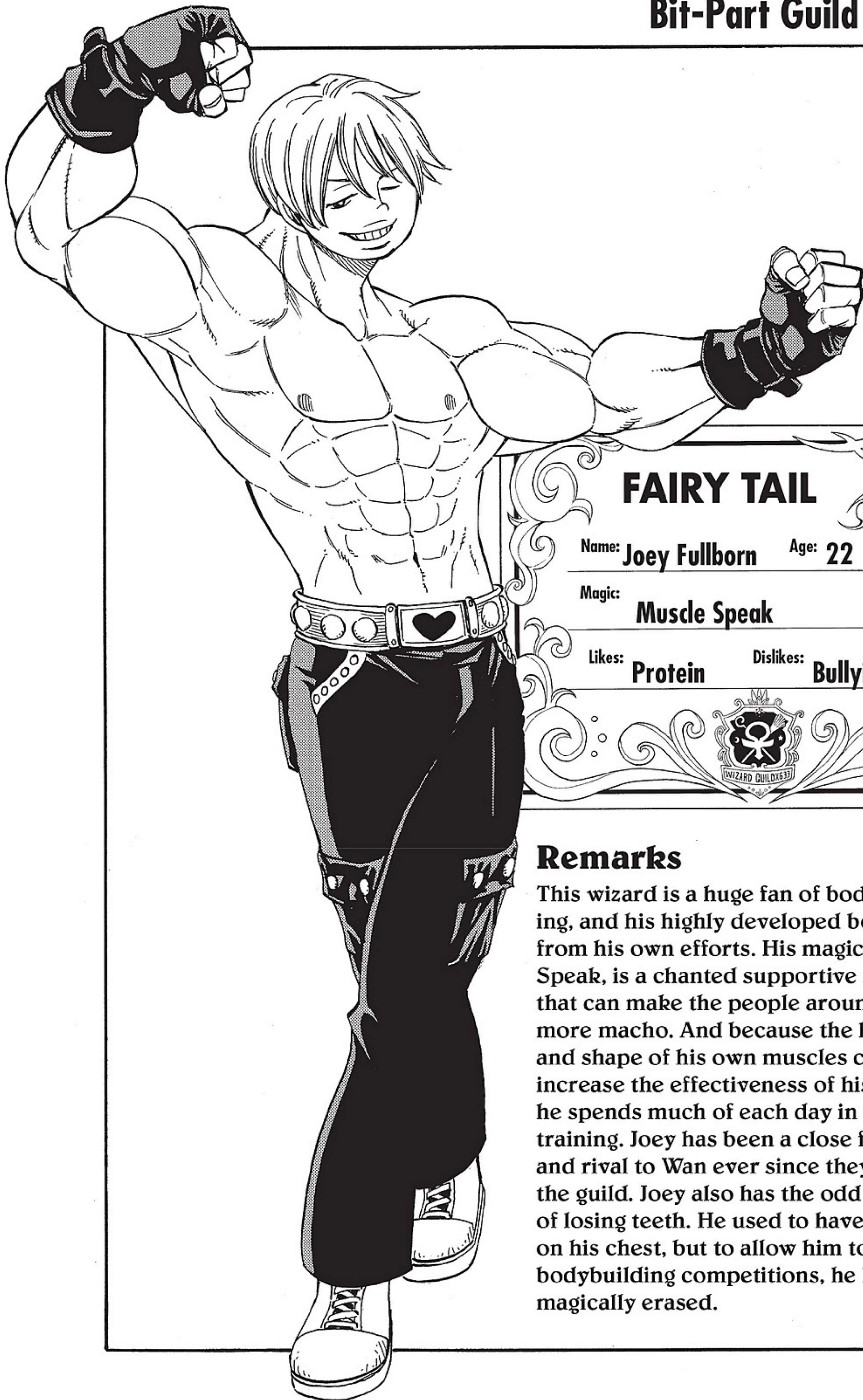
### Remarks

Iron Dog magic is the magical ability to turn one's arm into the shape of a dog made of iron. It is similar to Gajeel's Iron dragon slayer magic, but Iron Dog is a dog. It bites, sniffs odors, and even eats. It's borderline cute. His hobby is to collect movie lacrima, and most of the reward money he's gathered from going on jobs can be found in his movie lacrima collection. He's the silent type, and they say he reaches his yearly quota of words for the year if he speaks for a combined time of about an hour.



# FAIRY TAIL

## Bit-Part Guild Card 2



### FAIRY TAIL

Name: **Joey Fullborn** Age: **22**

Magic: **Muscle Speak**

Likes: **Protein** Dislikes: **Bullying**



### Remarks

This wizard is a huge fan of bodybuilding, and his highly developed body is from his own efforts. His magic, Muscle Speak, is a chanted supportive spell that can make the people around him more macho. And because the health and shape of his own muscles can increase the effectiveness of his magic, he spends much of each day in weight training. Joey has been a close friend and rival to Wan ever since they entered the guild. Joey also has the odd habit (?) of losing teeth. He used to have a tattoo on his chest, but to allow him to enter bodybuilding competitions, he had it magically erased.



# FAIRY TAIL

## Bit-Part Guild Card 3



### FAIRY TAIL

Name: **Chico Hermit** Age: **22**

Magic: **Legend of the City**

Likes: **Horror novels** Dislikes: **Pickles**



### Remarks

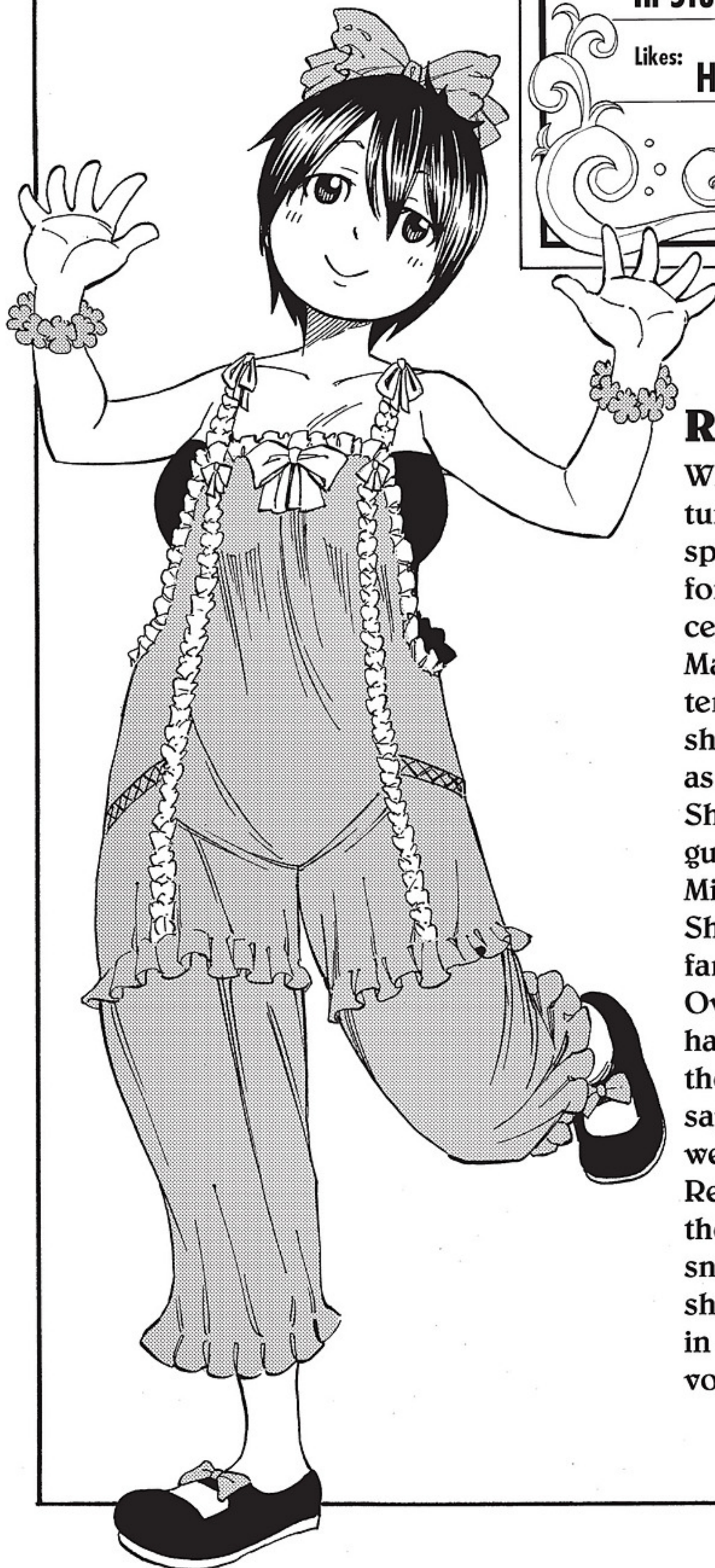
The owner of the Fairy Tail Women's Dorm and daughter of Luccio. She's a home-town Magnolia girl whose family runs a café. Her magic, Legend of the City, is an extremely powerful magic that enlists all of the wandering spirits of the town as her allies to fight for her. However, if she takes even one step outside of Magnolia, she will have to start from scratch, enlisting spirits all over again.

She has an aloof attitude, and even when everyone else goes out, she is often left behind. She has a slow conversational style that is off-putting to many. Secretly, she thinks of Laxus as her type.



# FAIRY TAIL

## Bit-Part Guild Card 4



### FAIRY TAIL

Name: **Kinana**

Age: **20**

Magic:

**In Study (Trying to learn Takeover)**

Likes:

**Hot spices**

Dislikes:

**Snakes**



### Remarks

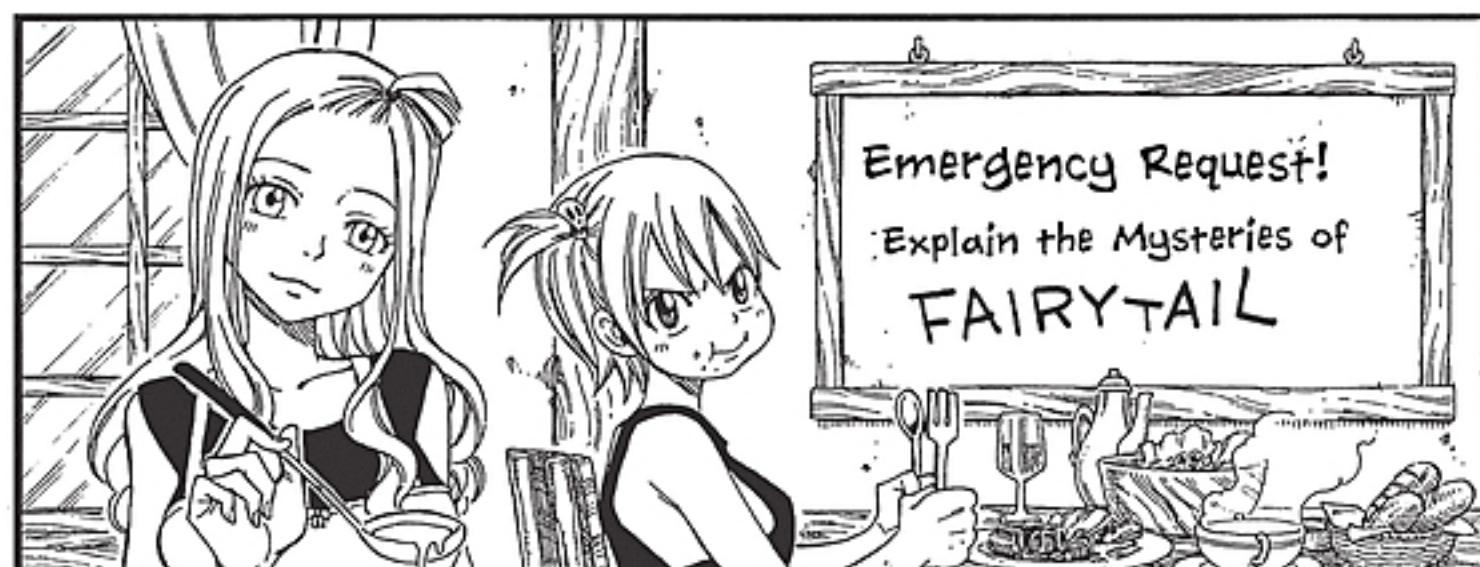
When she was little, an evil wizard turned her into a snake, and she spent more than ten years in the form of a snake. It was only recently that she was turned back by Master Makarov, and she then entered Fairy Tail. However it seems she has no memory left of her time as a snake.

She became an employee of the guild and grew very friendly with Mirajane. She also sings.

She's become more and more famous as the "Idol with the Frilly Overalls." When she speaks, she has a habit of putting "-kina" at the end of her sentences. She'd say things like, "Hey, everybody, welcome back-kina!"

Recently when she's alone, some of the memories from when she was a snake come back to her. She thinks she remembers someone saying in a gentle tone, "Let me hear your voice."





### At the Edolas Fairy Tail

**Lucy:** You mean it's gonna be us this time?

**Mira:** That's right. They said that we should do it once in a while.

**Lucy:** Aww, what a friggin' pain!

**Mira:** No negativity. Let's give this our best! ♥

**Lucy:** (They tell me she's exactly the same no matter which world...)

Is the horse head on top of Sagittarius actually alive?



**Lucy:** "Sagittarius"? Who the heck is that?!

**Mira:** It's a Celestial Spirit that the Earth-land Lucy keeps

**AS A PET.**

**Lucy:** Wait! They're no "pets," right?!



**Lucy:** I don't know much about it, but it's just a mask, right?

**Mira:** I suppose... If it were alive, it'd be really scary! Let's just say it's a mask.

Anima doesn't work on Wendy, so why did Mystogan tell her to run away?



**Lucy:** I have no clue what this guy's talking about!

**Lucy:** It's probably impossible for us in Edolas to answer these kinds of questions.

**Lucy:** Aw, don't give me that! The word "impossible" don't apply to us!

**Mira:** Wow! ♥ Lucy, you're so cool!

**Lucy:** Here's what I figure! That he didn't know it wouldn't work on her. If you think of it that way, the rest follows, right?

**Mira:** Amazing! It *does* follow!

**Lucy:** Okay, that answers that! Hit me with another one!

Aside from Fairy Tail, what other guilds exist on Edolas?



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**Mira:** There are all sorts! No... Or to be more accurate, there *were* all sorts.

**Lucy:** Yeah, they were all crushed by the Kingdom...

**Mira:** I remember that Blue Pegasus only allowed girls to join.

**Lucy:** And one of my best friends, Sherry, used to be a part of Lamia Scale.

**Mira:** Oh, remember how Lyon-kun from that guild used to be such a big rival to Gray, vying to get Juvia to just notice them?

**Lucy:** I *hope* they're all safe, but...

**Lucy:** Yeah...

What is Ichiya's "Meeeee" cry all about?



**Lucy:** Here's another?! Who the heck is this Ichiya guy?!

**Mira:** And saying, "Meeeee"...

**Lucy:** Isn't that a part of Kendo sword techniques? When they go for the head, they say, "Men!"

**Mira:** And when sheep bleat, it sounds kind of like that, right?

**Lucy:** Okay, then at times like this, we can just say it's this Ichiya guy's bleat!

**Lucy:** That's true! We have determined that, "Meeeee" is just Ichiya's way of bleating.

**Lucy:** Now we finally get to the last question.

Why is Mirajane the only one where the Earth-land character and her Edolas character are the same?



**Lucy:** Yeah! That's one I really want to know too!

**Lucy:** Hm? What are you talking about?

**Lucy:** Well, they say the Earth-land me is writing a novel and was raised as this little rich kid!

**Mira:** Really?

**Lucy:** And people like Gray, Cana, and Elfman are all totally different. Even their Wendy is years younger!

**Mira:** And I'm the same?

**Lucy:** According to Earth-land Natsu, there's not a single difference between you two.

**Lucy:** Aww... Well that's just boring, isn't it?

**Lucy:** I more or less think so too.

**Mira:** I wonder if we're exactly the same if I do *this* too!

**Lucy:** Huh...?! What do ya think you're doing?! Put your clothes back on!!!

**Mira:** Or maybe *this*!

**Lucy:** Will you cut that out?! And wait! I never met the Earth-land you anyway, so how'm I supposed to compare you two?!!!

**Lucy:** Well let's show the readers and let them decide...

**Lucy:** **THAT IS ONE THING WE CAN'T DO!!! WE'LL GET IN TROUBLE WITH MASHIMA!!!**

(The Earth-land Lucy has to do this every time? I don't envy her...)



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# GUILD d'ART



Saga Prefecture, Renren

▼ The smile on this one is almost too bright! I think she'll make a contribution this time!



Guruma Prefecture, Nana Yoshizawa

▼ She went and called on me! Now I have to go there!



Osaka, Suzuka Sakaguchi

▼ All of the great-looking guys together! And Ichya... makes an unexpected appearance...



Hokkaido, Misa

▼ Lyon's pretty damned cool. That's what I have in mind when I draw him too.



Tottori Prefecture, Natsuki

▼ I see this as a "right! We're headed out on a job right now!" picture.



Aichi Prefecture, Kichiro Iwata

▼ All of the "help" of the Heartfilia House-hold received nice compensation packages, and they're all enjoying retirement right now.

## REJECTION CORNER

▼ I thought of questioning the meaning of this, but I've decided not to go there.



Tokyo, Ayano Nakao

▼ These two are really at the center of the action this time! I'm sure they'll play big parts next time too.



Tokyo, Ayumi Ichikawa

▼ The gate to Mountain-Lion-Pon was left open! Come out, come out, mountain lions!



Chiba Prefecture, Maccha Icecream

▼ Wow! This one's good! And every-one's got their own cool clothing style!



Yamaguchi Prefecture, Yuri Mikajiri



Oita Prefecture, Rin Kugimiyu

▼ Elman in the anime is pretty cool, huh? Maybe I'll give him more of a part in the future.



Kochi Prefecture, Nanami Kiraoka

▼ It's the young Mira-chan! She was always fighting with Erza.



Okayama Prefecture, Natsumi Ayasa

▼ Hey, this one's good! And really cute! You win!



Aichi Prefecture, Marina Miyazaki

▼ Everyone's amazingly cute! It gave me an extra boost!



Hokkaido, Ayano Furuya

▼ Finger puppets! Happy's expression really got to me.



# FAIRY TAIL 21

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HIRO 真島ヒロ MASHIMA





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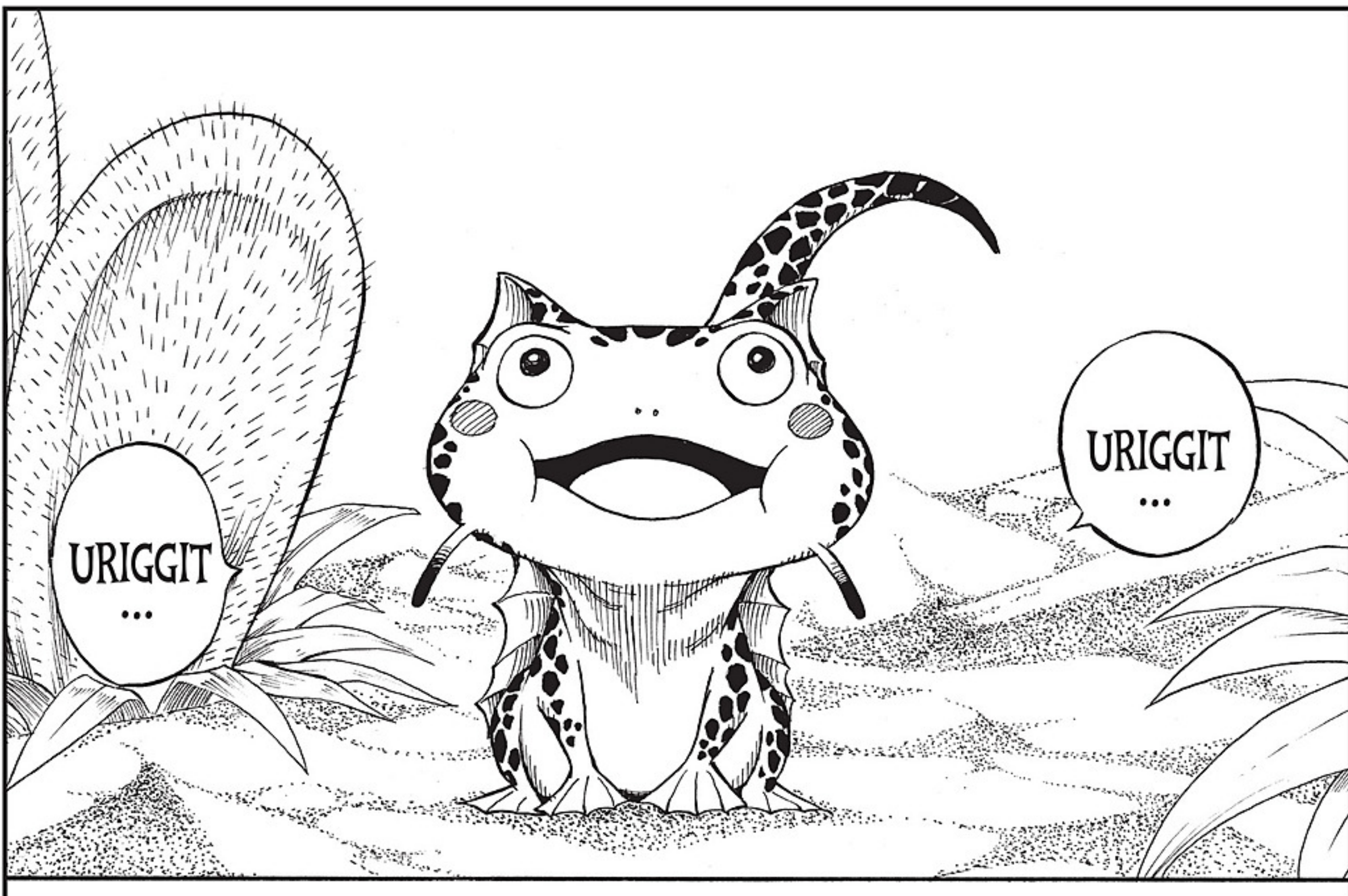
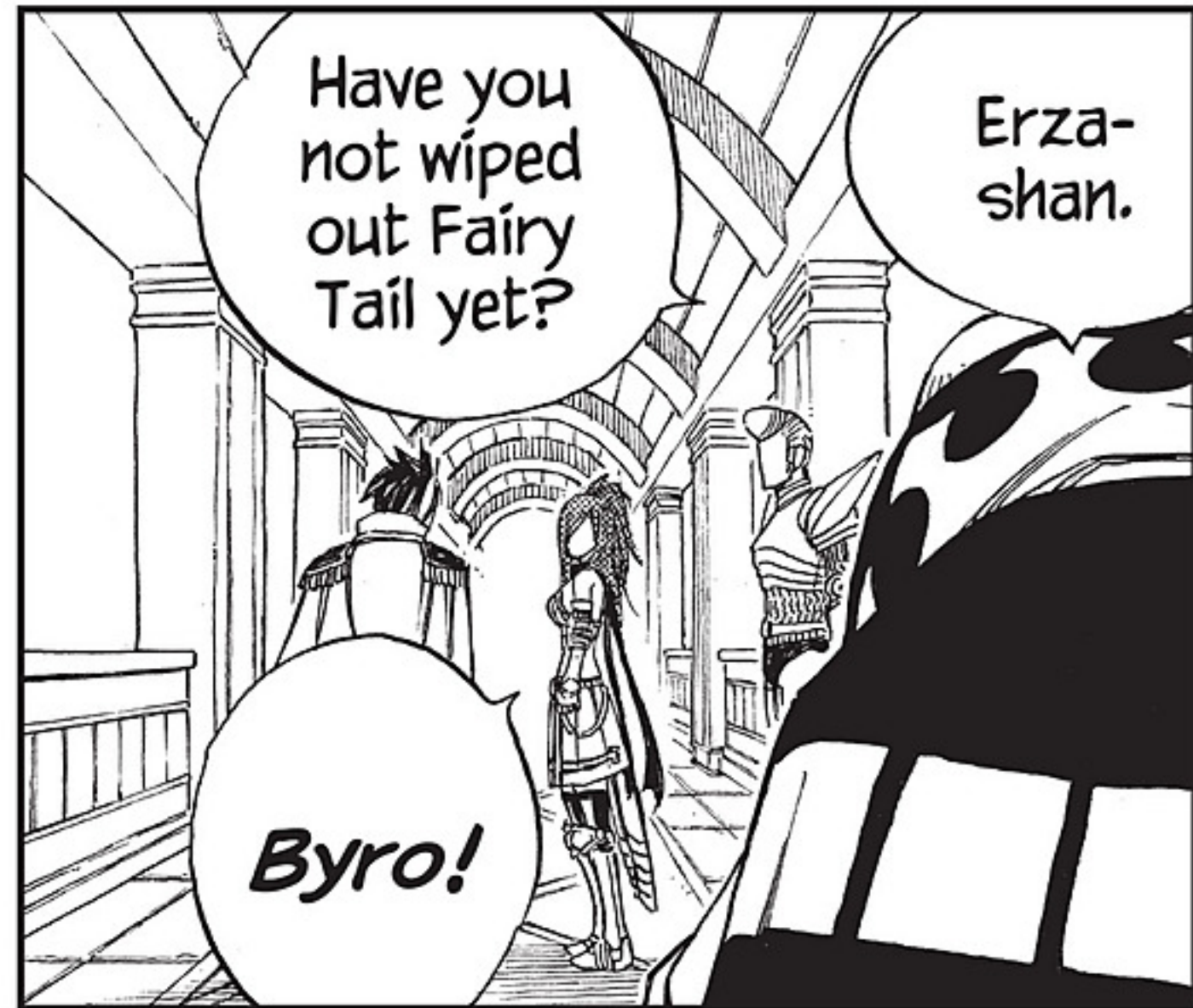
Japanese is a tricky language for most Westerners, and translation is often more art than science. For your edification and reading pleasure, here are notes on some of the places where we could have gone in a different direction with our translation of the work, or where a Japanese cultural reference is used.

## Page 29, -shan

Byro seems to have a speech impediment that makes his dialog a bit breathy, and “s” sounds tend to turn into “sh” sounds. That’s why what would normally be Erza-san has turned into Erza-shan.

## Page 36, Urggit

The Japanese onomatopoeia (sound word) for the sound a frog makes is, “Kero-kero.” But in Edolas, the frog-like creature said, “Gero-gero.” This translation used a “g”-based substitution that did its best to call up the sound of a frog.





## Page 66, Ebi

As noted in the notes of previous volumes, a common trait of crab characters (remember, Cancer is a crab) is to end their sentences with "-kani" which means "crab" in Japanese. Mashima decided to put a twist on this by making Cancer's sentences end in *-ebi* which means "shrimp" in Japanese.

## Page 71, Exceed Clan

Here, the Japanese used a word that means family or clan, but in this case, Exceed Race might be more appropriate.



## Page 90, Butter me up

When one wants to ingratiate oneself to someone else in Japanese, one tends to use more polite honorifics than the situation might call for. In the Japanese original, Edolas Natsu called the Earth-land Natsu, Me-san, and Natsu complained since it was like calling himself -san (something not normally done).

## Page 145, Fallen

In Japanese, the term for traitorous Exceed is the same term that is used for fallen angels, so this translation used the word, "Fallen."

## Page 188, Men

In the sword-based martial art of Kendo, it is common to announce the part of the body that one is aiming for when striking. It's usually, "Chest," when aiming for the torso and, "Men," when aiming at the head or face area. One of the Japanese words that is pronounced *men* means face.





## Page 188, Bleat

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FROM HIRO MASHIMA



Wow! At the very same time that this volume 21 comes out in Japan, the fan book called *Fairy Tail Plus* goes on sale too!! It has a short story that never got into the tankobon, a short story drawn just for the book, other manga, stories from behind the scenes, color illustration galleries and more! It's going to be a really fun book!! For all those who would like a more in-depth look at Fairy Tail, I urge you to pick up this book!\*

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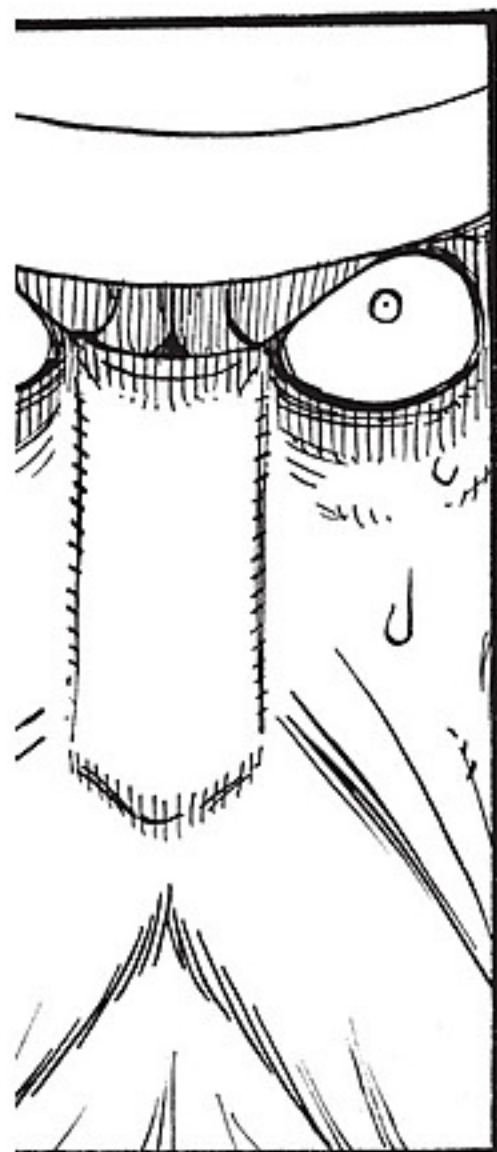
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They're in the sky and on the ground...

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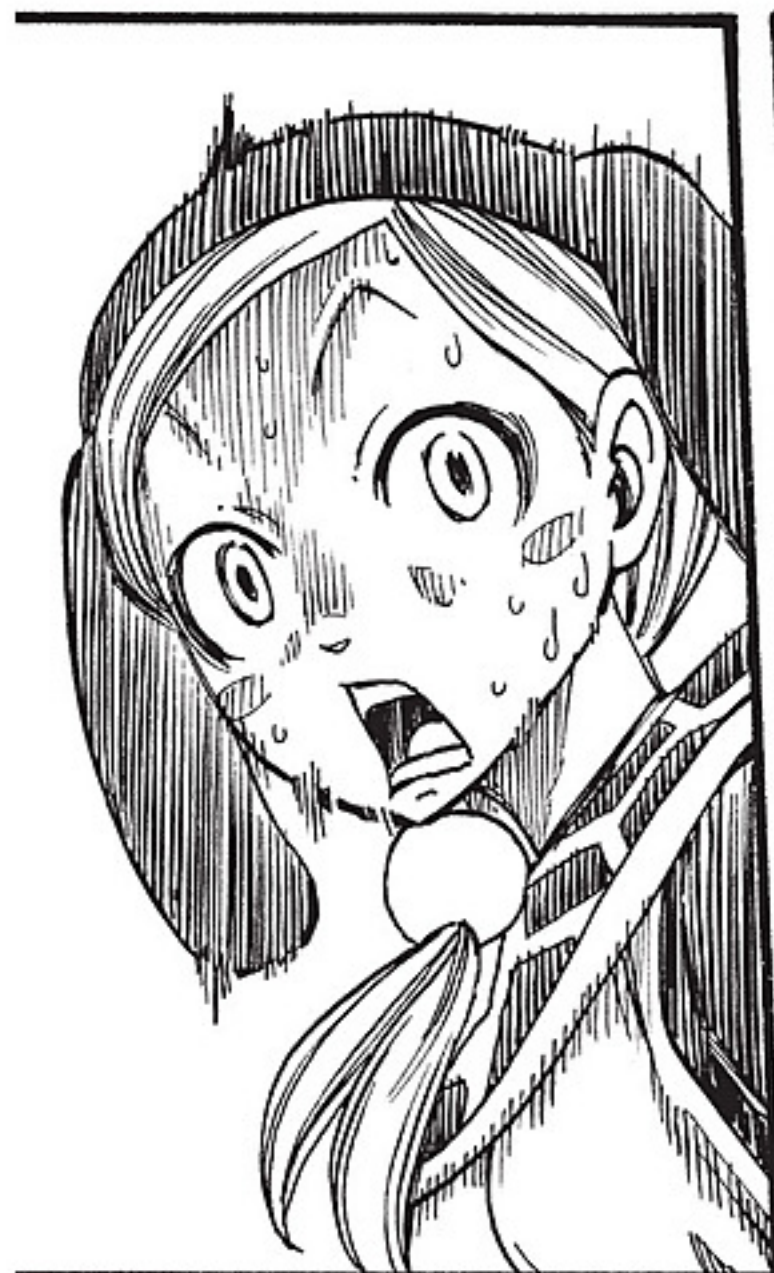
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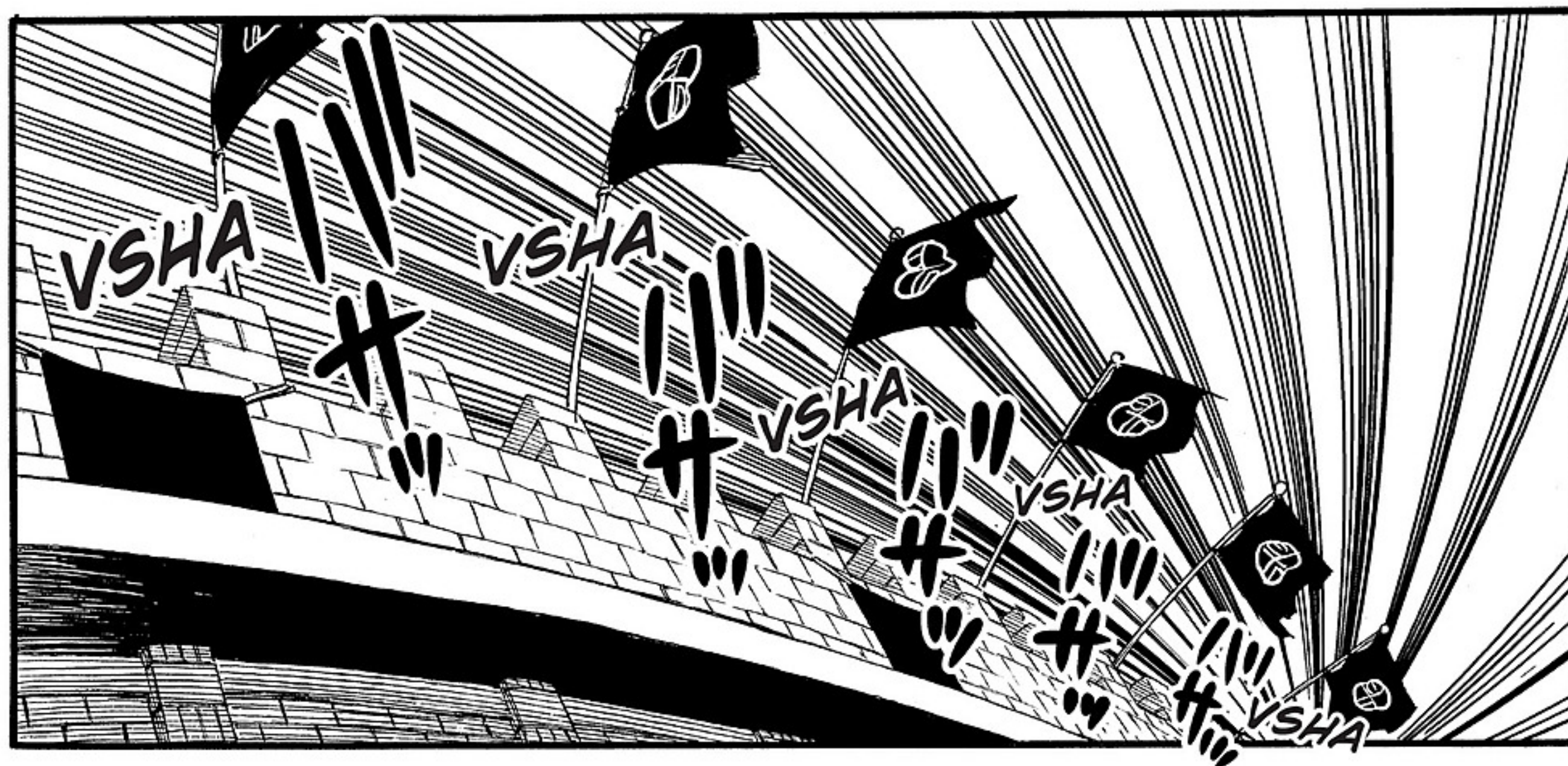
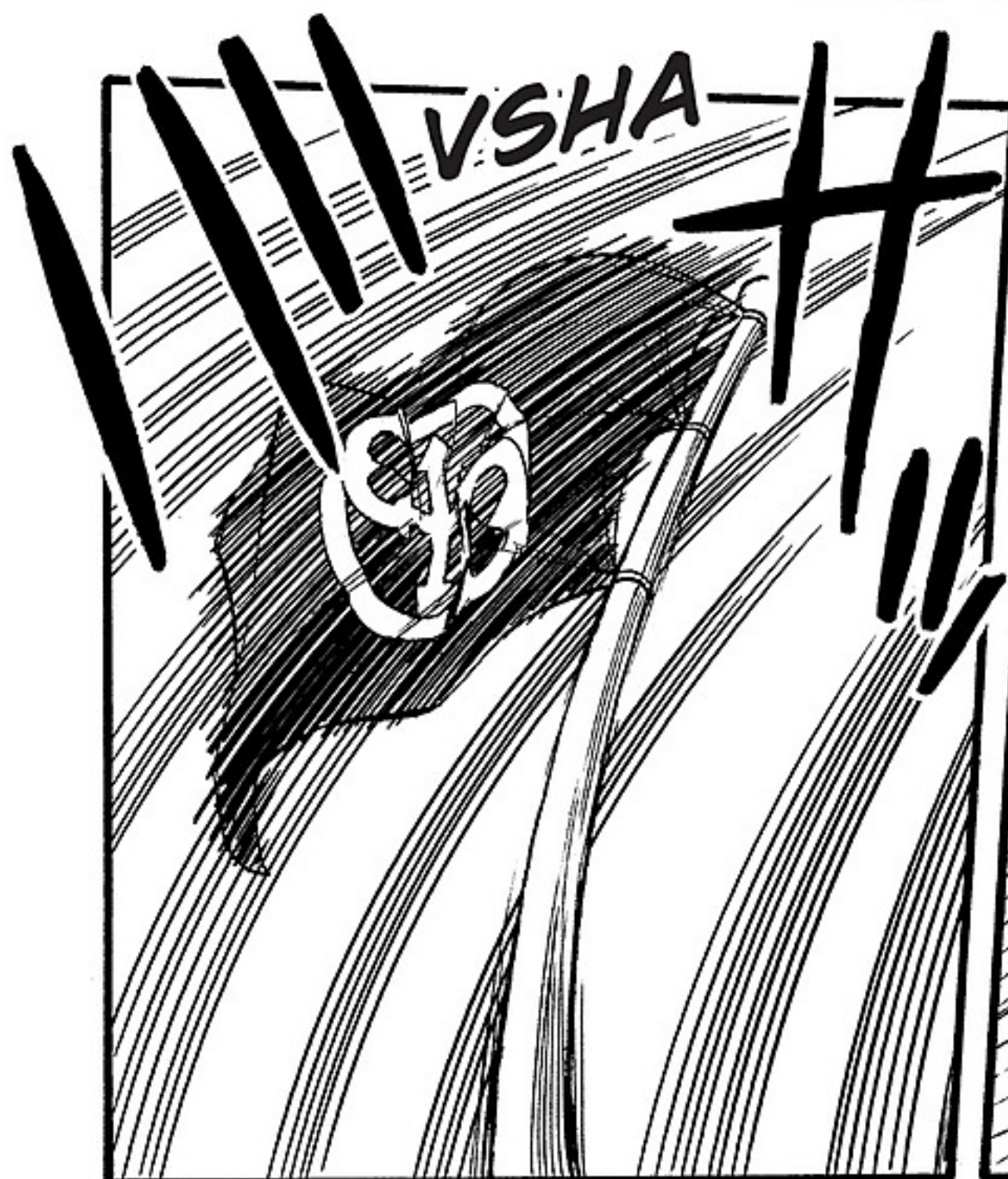
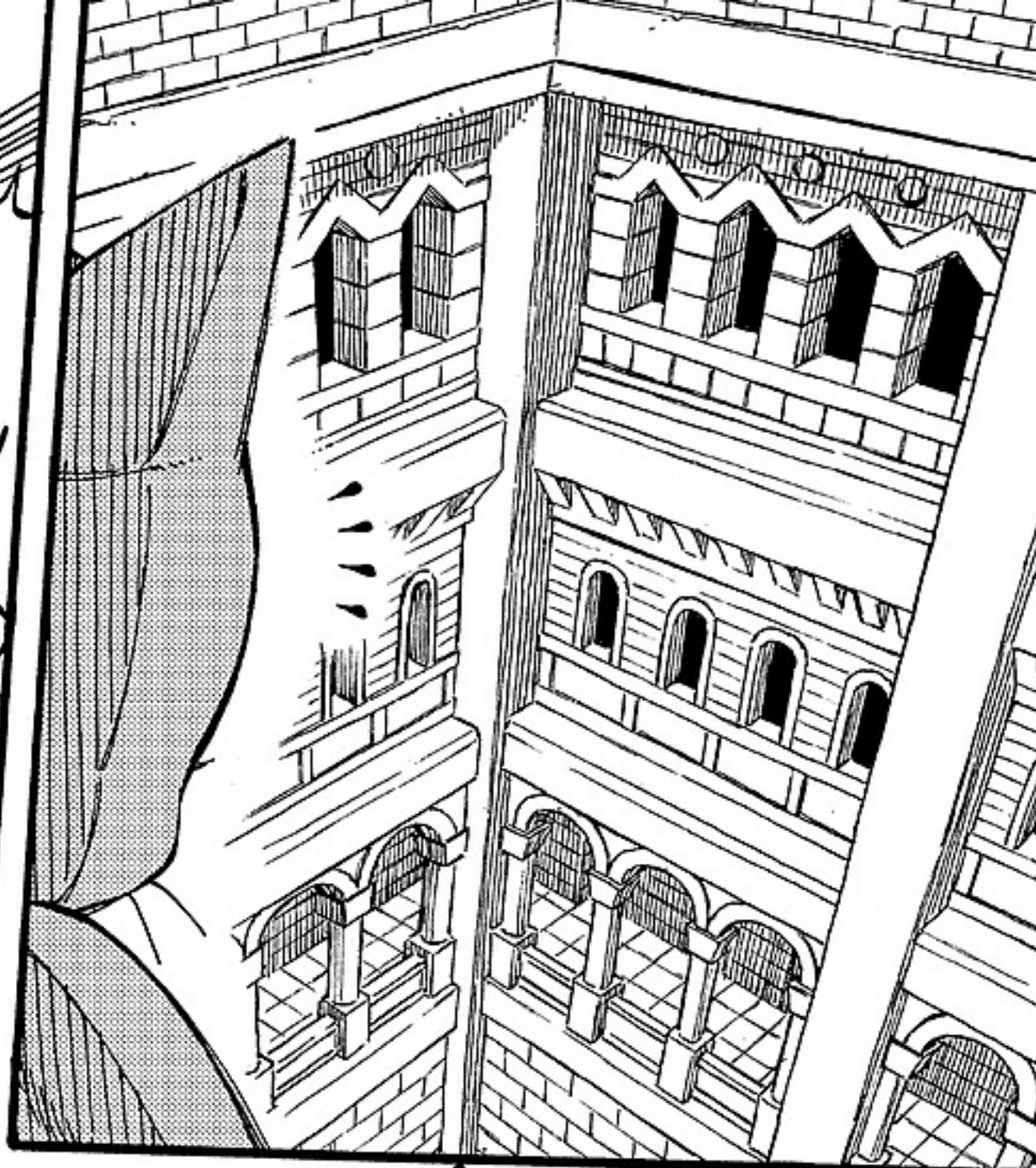
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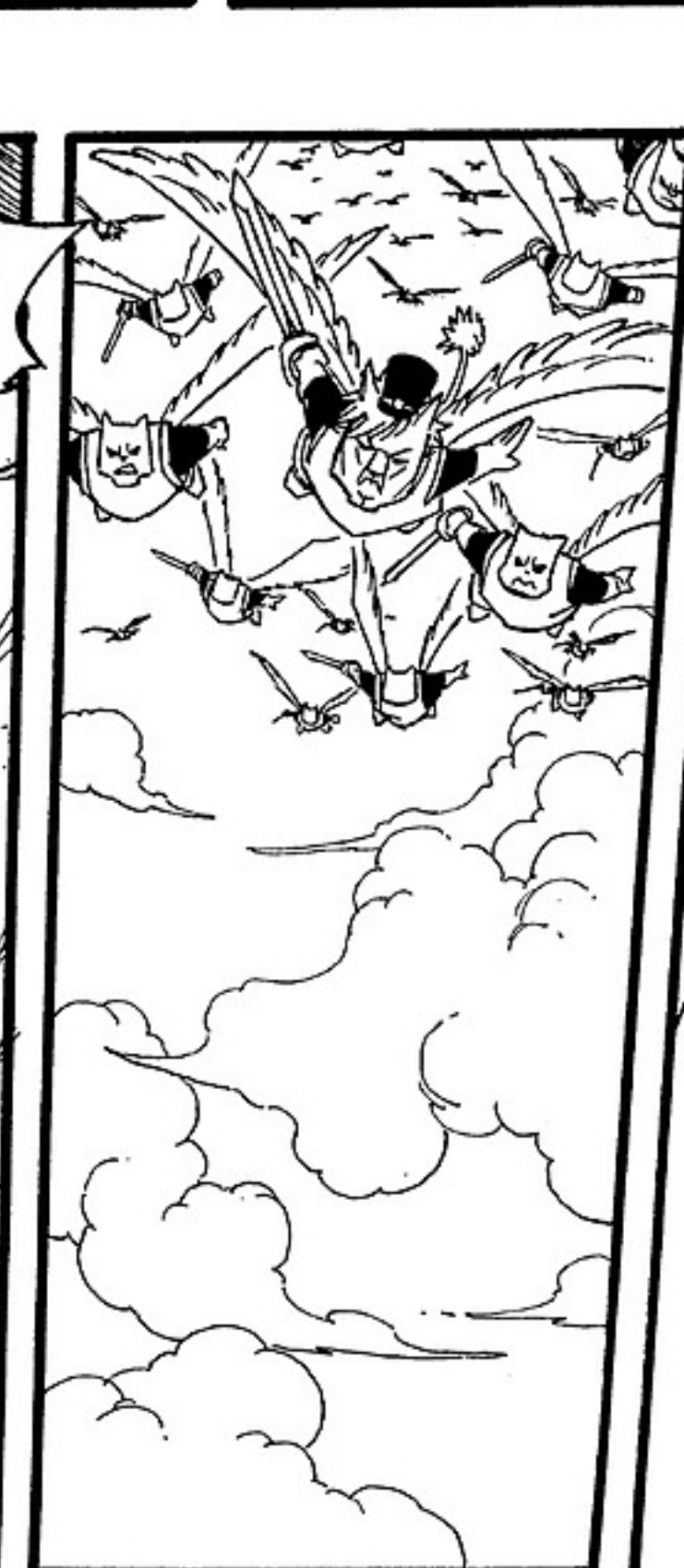
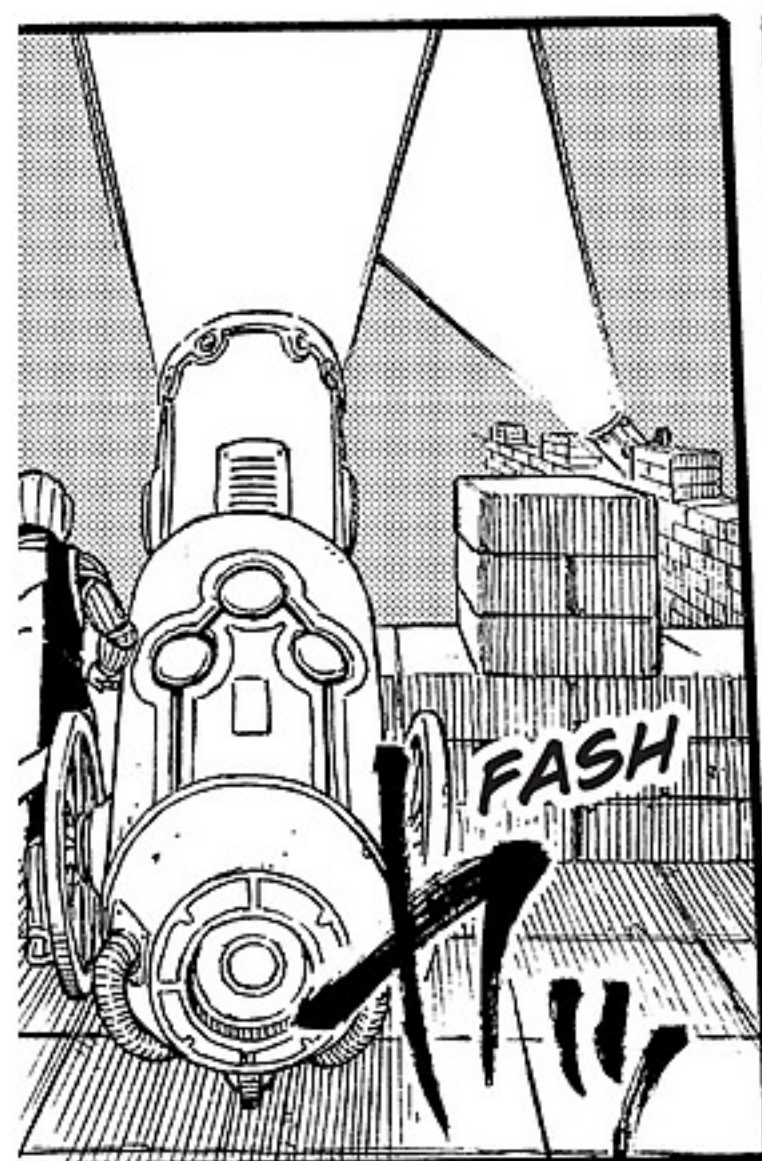
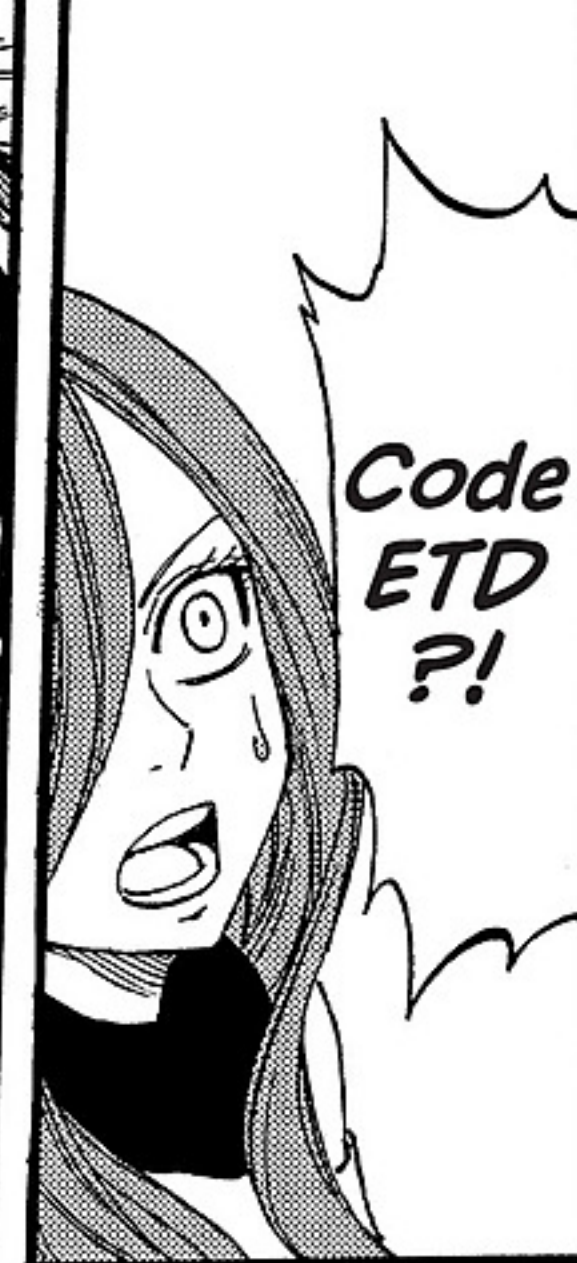


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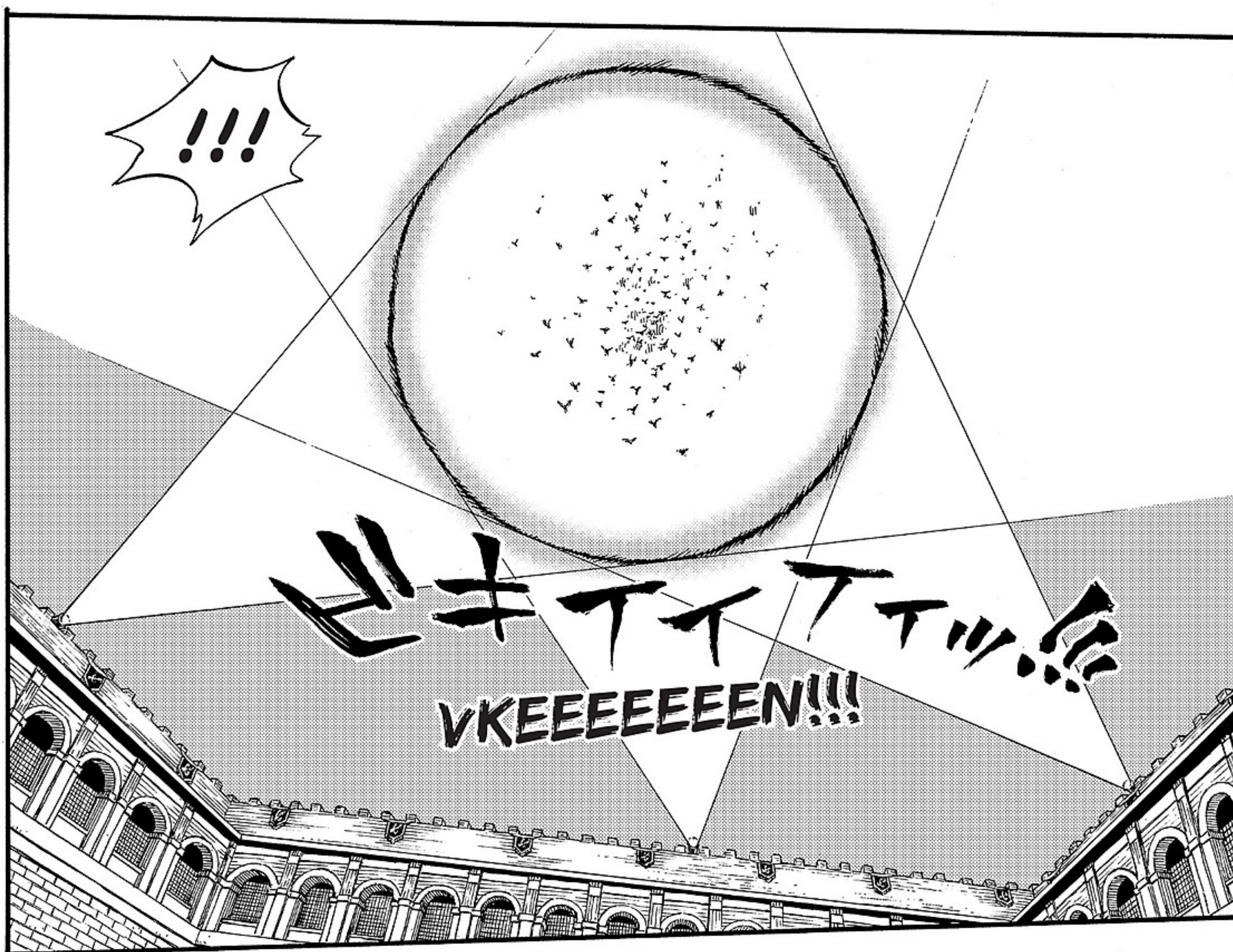
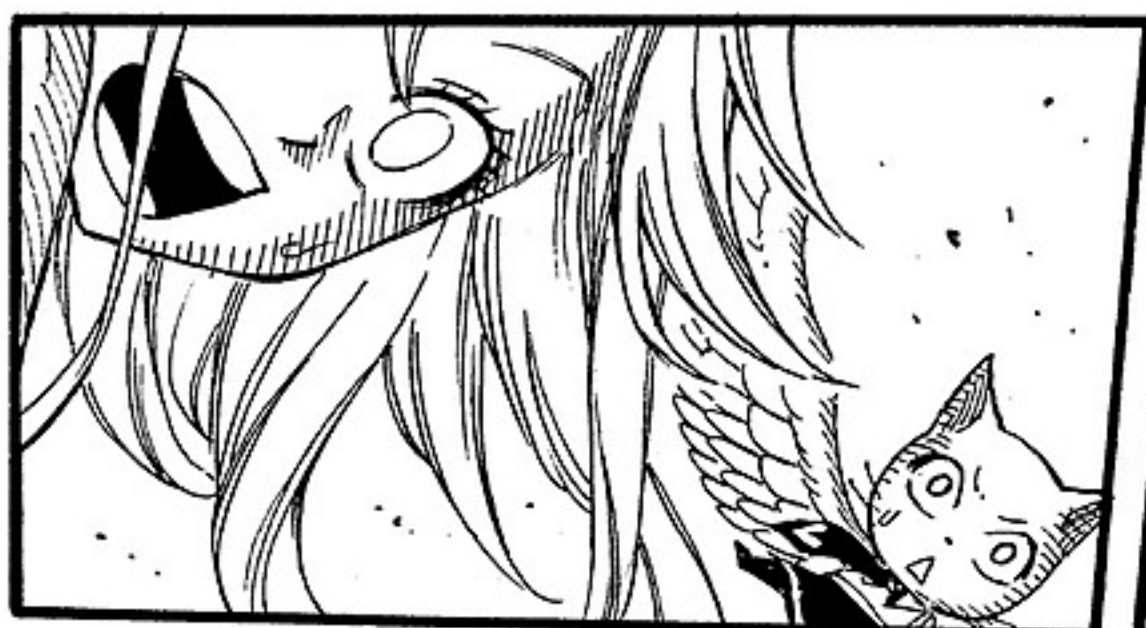




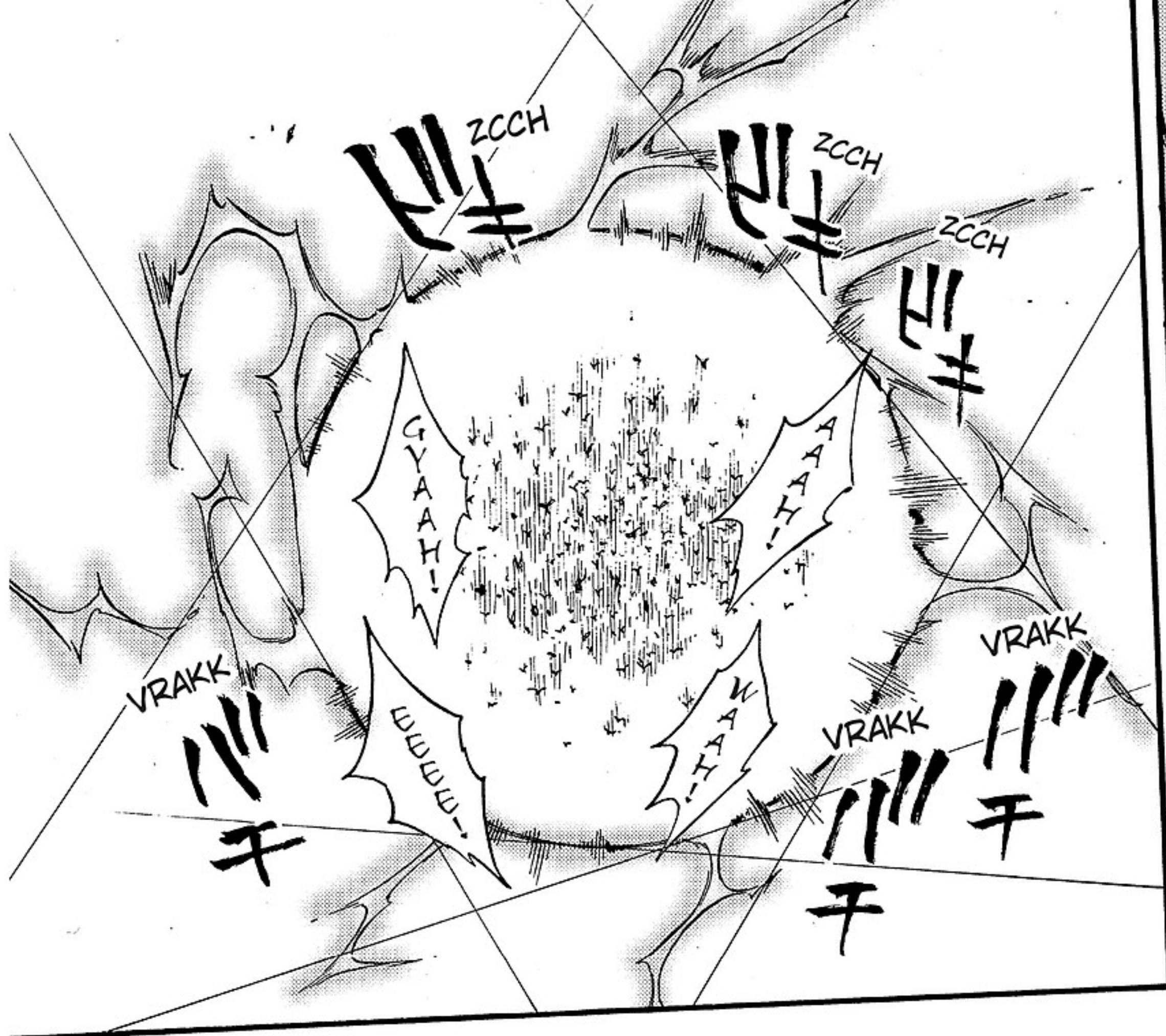












What's the meaning of this...

You humans?!



I don't know, but I think we have to use this confusion.



What do you think they're trying to do?



Then this is a rebellion?!

Wh-What's going on here?! Aren't the Exceed supposed be like angels or gods to the humans here?



Yes, Ma'am!

They're headed for the West Tower cells! Call for reinforcements!



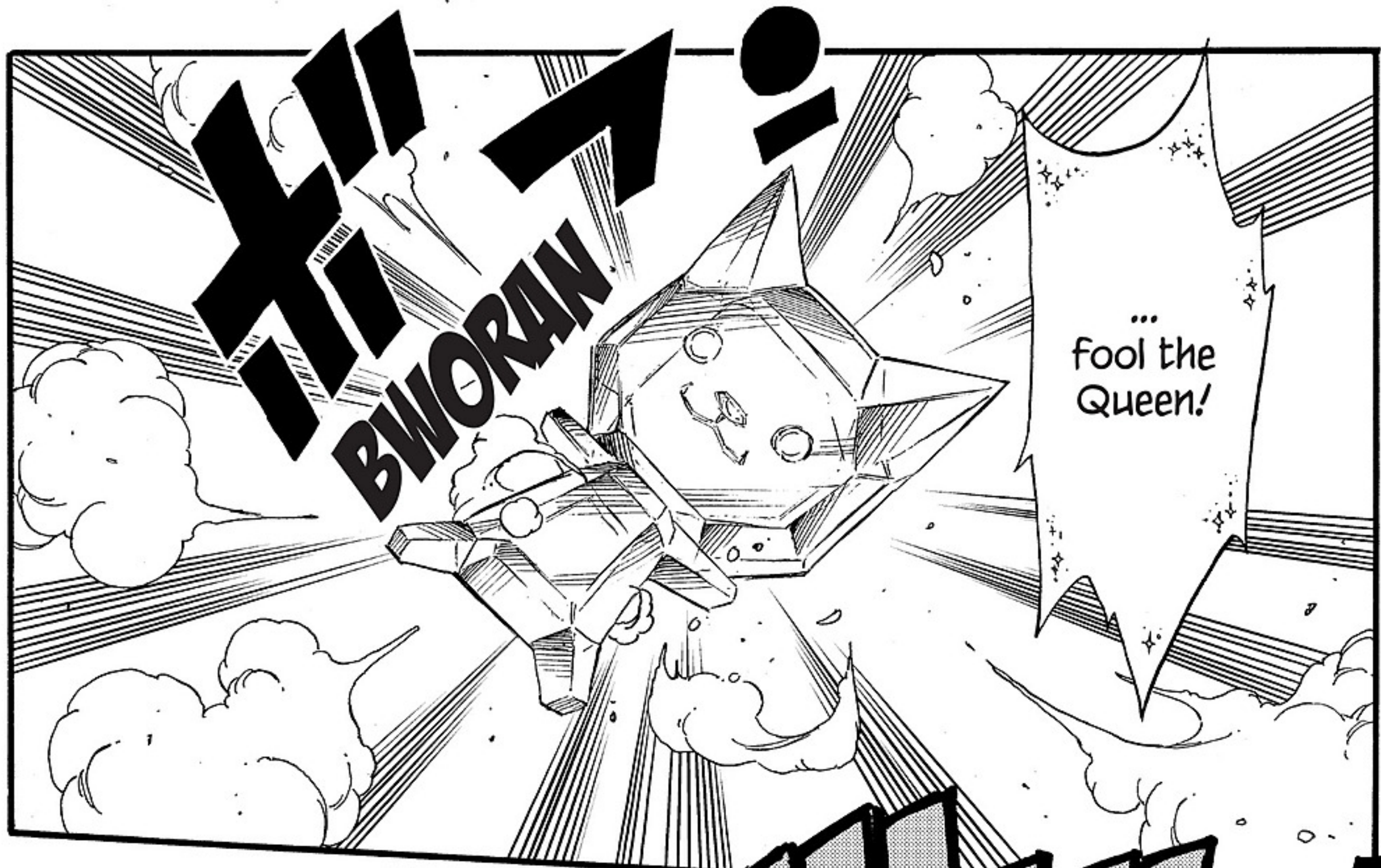
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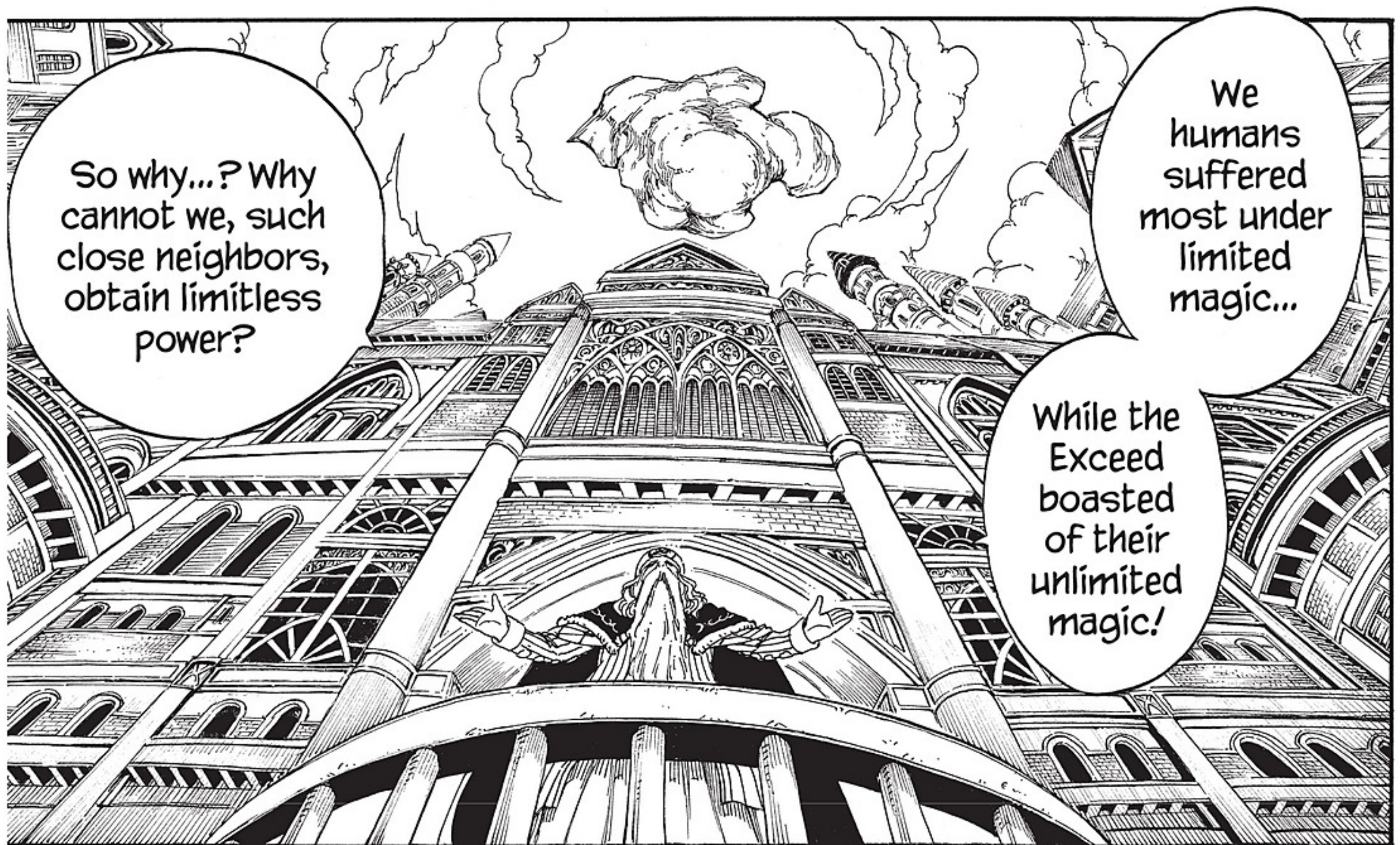
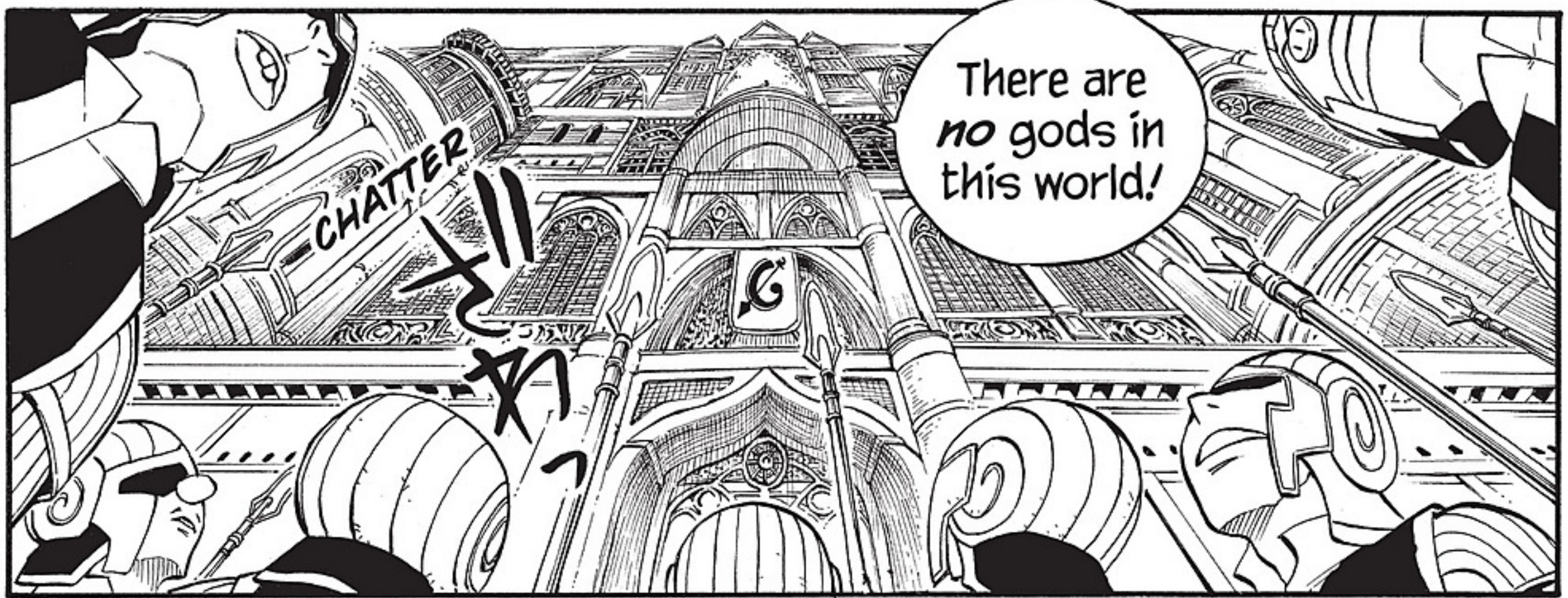
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Now's our chance to rescue Wendy and the others!

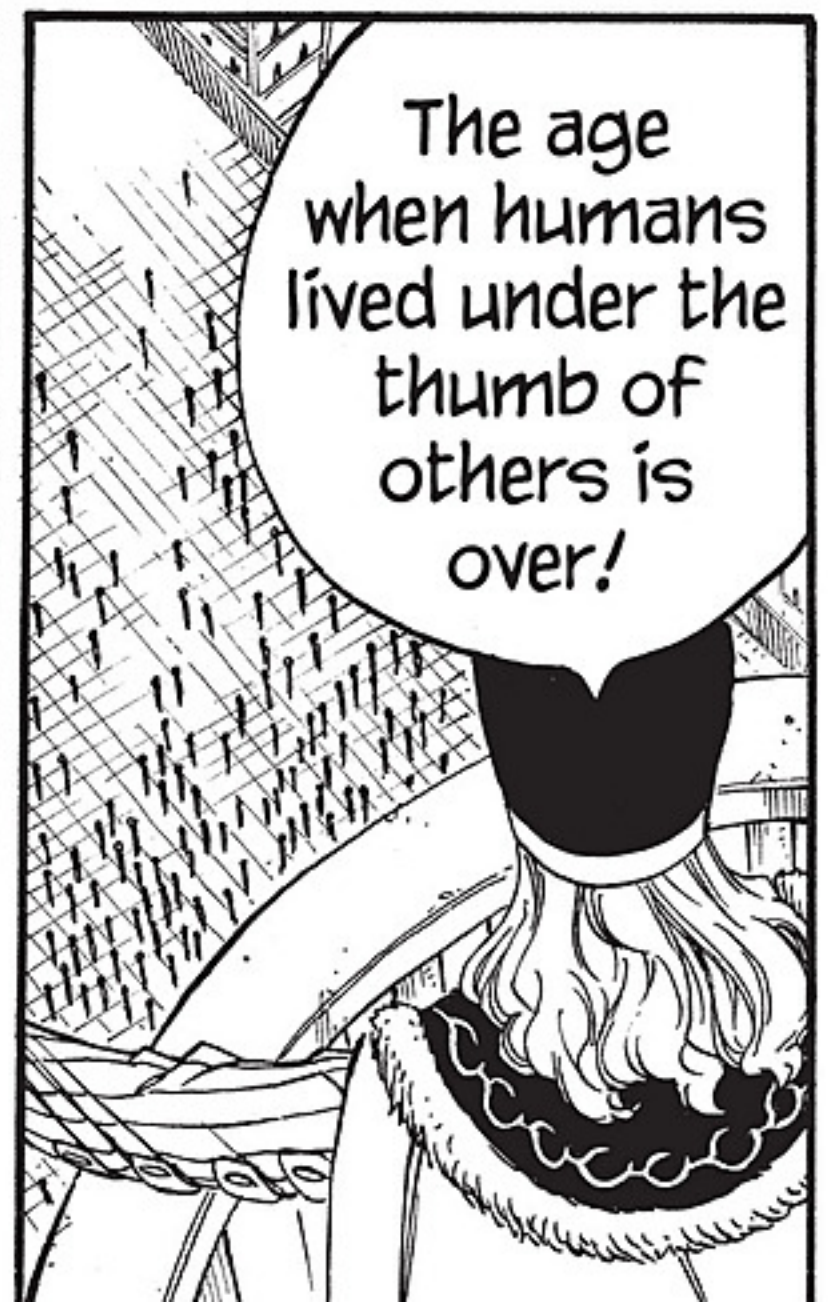








I say to you, my warriors!

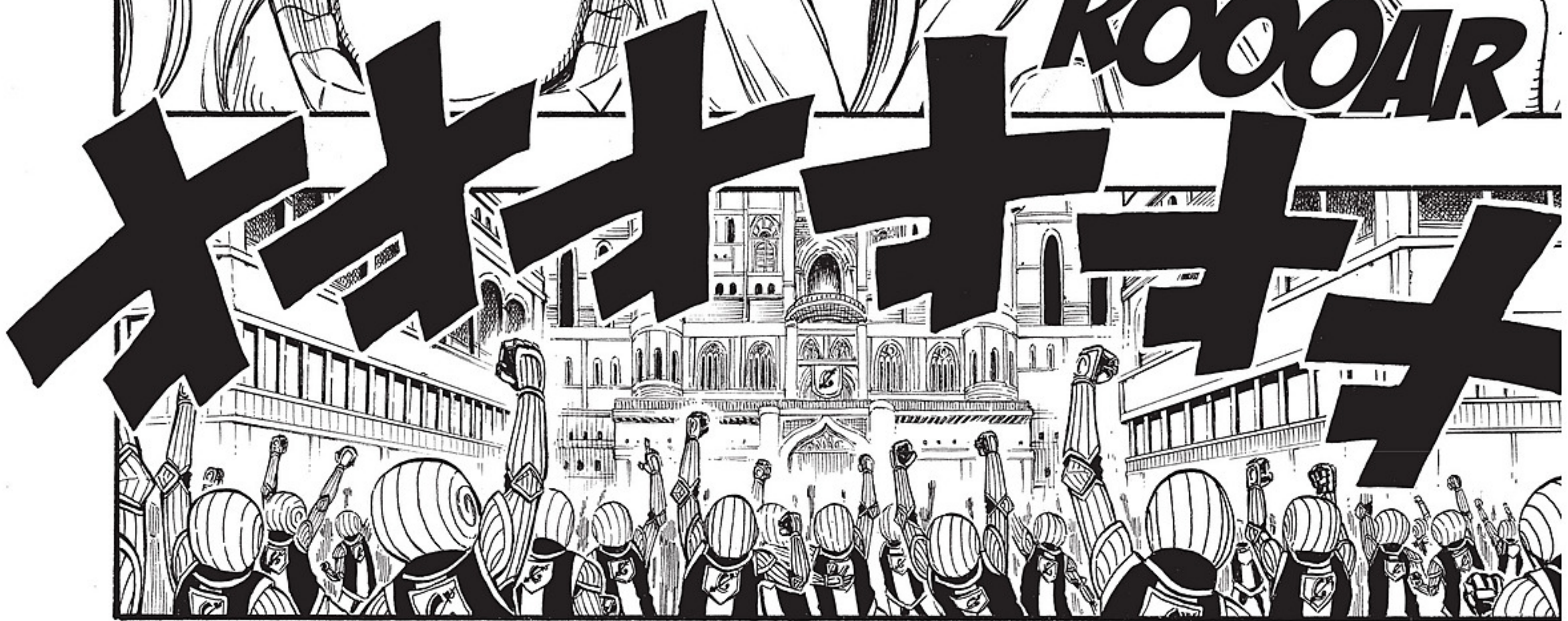






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angels!!!!

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